

## “When Life is in Chaos, We Trust in Immanuel”

Isaiah 7:1-17 December 20, 2020

**Background-** Isaiah is given a ministry to a people who are seeking their own ways and disregarding God. It’s going to be a tough ministry. God’s enemies are seeking to overthrow the house of David to bring to ruin His promises of a coming ruler and king whose kingdom will have no end (Isa 9:6-7). God’s answer: a sign and a name shall be given: Immanuel. (approx. 735. B.C.)

<sup>ESV</sup> **Isaiah 5:18** Woe to those who draw iniquity with cords of falsehood, who draw sin as with cart ropes, <sup>19</sup> who say: "Let him be quick, let him speed his work that we may see it; let the counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw near, and let it come, that we may know it!" <sup>20</sup> **Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness, who put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter!** <sup>21</sup> **Woe** to those who are wise in their own eyes, and shrewd in their own sight! <sup>22</sup> **Woe** to those who are heroes at drinking wine, and valiant men in mixing strong drink, <sup>23</sup> who acquit the guilty for a bribe, and deprive the innocent of his right! <sup>24</sup> Therefore, as the tongue of fire devours the stubble, and as dry grass sinks down in the flame, so their root will be as rottenness, and their blossom go up like dust; for they have rejected the law of the LORD of hosts, and have despised the word of the Holy One of Israel. (Also, v. 8, 11)

<sup>ESV</sup> **Isaiah 6:9** And he said, "Go, and say to this people: "Keep on hearing, but do not understand; keep on seeing, but do not perceive." <sup>10</sup> Make the heart of this people dull, and their ears heavy, and blind their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their hearts, and turn and be healed."

If your faith does not remain firm, then you will not remain secure." (Isa. 7:9)

**LESSON 1-** When world is turned upside down, we trust in IMMANUEL

- A. The FAITHLESSNESS in the promised Davidic son, Immanuel (Isaiah 7:1-2; 1 Chronicles 17:3-15- trust in God, not the world)
- B. The THREAT against the promised Davidic son, Immanuel (Isaiah 7:3-9; 2 Kings 15:32-16:20; 2 Chronicles 28:1-27)
- C. The PROMISE confirmed of the promised David son, Immanuel (Isaiah 7:10-17; Isaiah 8:8, 10; Matthew 1:23)

### ***Theological Application:***

1. *In our current times of social, political, religious, and world upheaval, we are to stand firm in faith in Immanuel- GOD IS WITH US!*

***Our Vision- Striving to be Disciples who make Disciples***