

Sermon Notes

You'll live by faith, or you won't live at all

Isaiah 7:1-25

Action speaks louder than words.

Adversity reveals affections!

Key verse: *If you will not believe, surely you shall not be established (verse 9)*

THE CRISIS *AHAZ* FACED

In 735 B.C.

Israel (led by *Pekah* son of *Remaliah*)

Syria (led by *Rezin*)

Judah (led by *Ahaz*)

Assyria

II CHRONICLES 28:5-8,

II CHRONICLES 28:16-19

THE PLACE WHERE *AHAZ* LOOKED

Verse 3

Where was *Ahaz*?

What was he doing there?

Why?

Is there anything wrong for *Ahaz* to do this?

II CHRONICLES 28:16 ~ *At the same time, King Abaz̄ sent to the kings of Assyria to help him.*

II CHRONICLES 28:21 ~ *For Abaz̄ took part of the treasures from the house of the LORD, from the house of the king and from the leaders, and he gave it to the king of Assyria . . .*
Lessons:

[1] When we turn from God, we turn to _____!

[2] Whatever we trust in place of God, that will one day turn and _____!

THE GOD WHOM AHAZ REJECTED

Verse 3 ~ *Then the LORD said to Isaiah, “Go out now to meet Abaz̄ . . .”*

Consider whom God sent to Ahaz: (i)

(ii)

Consider what God said to Abaz̄:

Verse 10 ~ *Moreover the LORD spoke again to Abaz, saying, “Ask a sign for yourself from the LORD your God; ask it either in the depth or in the height above”.*

Verses 12-13

SO WHAT?