How Could Isaiah Have Known?

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INTRODUCTION

- I believe one of the strongest proofs that the Bible is the inspired word of God is fulfilled prophecy.
- How could these men have guessed hundreds of years before they were fulfilled what would occur?
- Isaiah, the prophet of God, spoke some 60 different prophecies that are recorded in the New Testament.

1 A Virgin Shall Conceive and Bear a Son

Isaiah 7:14; Matthew 1:23; 2 Kings 16

- God responded, I'll give the house of David a sign, Judah a sign anyway.
- It did not occur in Ahaz's time. Some 700 years later, in fact, when Jesus was born, is when this is fulfilled.
- Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which is translated God with us.
- How could Isaiah have even guessed that a virgin would bear the Son of God? He certainly was writing as a man inspired.
- Only through the miracle of God, and by God's hand involved, could this one come through the seed of the Holy Spirit with Mary.
- This prophecy came to pass just as God had foretold through his prophet Isaiah.

2 The Mountain of the Lord's House

Isaiah 2:2–3; 1 Timothy 3:15; Luke 24:47

- It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established on the top of the mountains, shall be exalted above the hills. All nations shall flow to it.
- Compared with the law of Moses, the Mosaic period, we are in the last days.
- When Isaiah speaks about the mountain of the Lord's house, actually, he's not talking about a building we may describe as a house, but he's talking about a household, as a family of God's people.
- What that simply has to mean is that the kingdom of the Lord, the church of the Lord, is superior to all else.
- It is for all men, everywhere. Whoever comes to Christ in full belief.
- That repentance and remission of sin should be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

3 The Wolf Shall Dwell with the Lamb

Isaiah 11:6–11; Ephesians 2:14–17; Romans 9:27–28

- The wolf also shall dwell with a lamb. The leopard shall lie down with the young goat.

- Like they do with so many scriptures, they overlook a context. They fail to see really what comes before and what follows after.
- There'll be such peace that natural enemies will be able to even lie down as though lying down together.
- People that may have been your enemies are now your brethren and your sisters in Christ.
- This peace will be in my holy mountain. This church or the church of the Lord that fulfills the prophecy.
- The second remnant is the remnant of grace. Those who believe in the Christ, obey the gospel, and make up the church.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **For you'll face the Lord one day in judgment. Are you prepared?**

MY NOTES