

come. So under those circumstances it would seem to have been kept from the mass of the people, only a few of the nobles knowing what was being done by this secret embassy of Ahaz to Tiglath Pileser, while Ahaz urged the people to fight vigorously to protect the land. Of course, it was necessary that they should hold off the enemy ~~until~~ until the Assyrians came. It was in this situation that we find Isaiah in the passage which I read to you last time at the end of the hour, pointing out that this sort of ~~human~~ human plans and schemes knew nothing good. You have said that we have made a covenant with death and with hell and made agreements. When the overthrowing spirit shall pass through it shall not come near unto us for we have made lies our refuge and under falsehood have we hidden ourselves. Just like the people in the nations that the liberals in the nations that Russia conquers nowadays make agreements with the Communists and they feel that the Communist in conquest in their particular area is inevitable and they make agreement with them and help them get in and these social democrats and others think that that means that they will be safe when the Communists take over. In just about every case they find that the Communists take over and later on there is a purge and they themselves are ~~eliminated~~ eliminated. That sort of thing usually backfires. Isaiah pointed out here that the Lord says the only way ~~to~~

of safety is in trusting in Him. "I lay in Zion a foundation, a stone, a ^{corner} stone, a precious stone. He that believeth shall not make haste. If Zion is God's foundation, then they can trust God and be safe. If Zion is not God's foundation, they cannot be safe no matter what they do." It is only in God that they can find safety and the covenant with death will never bring good, lasting good to anyone.

So Isaiah points this out in this 17th chapter in describing these nobles. *few words 9/4-4/42*

The Old Testament History course used to be two hours a week through the year and I didn't ~~even~~ get this far. I only got up to the reign of David at that time, the place where we started this year. So that I had to go into this in the prophets course.