

bearance on the later time. Even in earlier sections of Isaiah as in Micah and in many other places too, there is a variation between the passages addressed to the people as a whole and those given for the comfort of the Godly and we have noticed that in early parts of Isaiah repeatedly; we've noticed it in Micah, in Jeremiah. ~~Even-in~~ The prophet says, "I have brought up children and they have turned against me, the Lord is weeping over the land, the people have turned against Him and it is as if the Godly people are in anguish. The prophet turns to them, sometimes right in the middle of the verse and then away and he will say, "Yes, but after the time, after the punishment, etc, God is going to give great blessing and bring a time of wonderful joy and have the same purposes for Israel and yet in the future. Out of the line of David will come forth a new sign of ~~Jer-~~ ruler for ~~my~~ people Israel and case after case gives forth wonderful promises of blessing and it is not for the nation as a whole but for the group of the people who are true to God and they tend to be discouraged and disheartened in the midst of the terrible fate that the prophet has outlined will be theirs. So we have this alternation in these prophets in the earlier sections of Isaiah and the prophet talks of the nation as a whole and then turns his attention to the group of the godly and gives them words of comfort and shows His ultimate interest in blessing them. That is a fact which we have touched often upon and ~~are~~ ^{is} very vital to our understanding and it is something that should not be forgotten as we look at this last part of Isaiah.

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(b) Isaiah had many loyal followers, who believed ~~in the~~ coming exile. The nation as whole seemed to be going into apostasy but there were many in it who were real believers and took Isaiah's words as they took Jer. and they took it as God's message and these people were weighed down with sorrow in this situation.

(c) These godly people saw the increase of sin, particularly in the reign of wicked Manasseh; they felt the exile as already present. If you read a good story you often feel as though it already had occurred and if you hear a good presentation of things that are coming, very often you can well imagine that they are right upon you. _____, a commentator I heard on the radio who claimed that Forrestal was out of his mind in designing the Pentagon building and thus created a very bad condition, and Forrestal down in Fla. mentioned how the Russians were coming and got everyone excited, and of course after that he went to naval hospital, but there is no proof that Forrestal was out of his mind but