

Lecture #1 9/9/79

1. Plan of the course
- 2 Prof. Childs and source approach of the higher criticism
ETS Journal article and the higher critical approach to the Gospels
- 3 Higher criticism and the Bible
- 4 Accept Isaiah's authorship of his book
- 5 Virgin birth in Isa 7:14 and the MSV Mat. 1:22
- 6 Angel quotes Is 7:14 to Joseph to assure him
- 7 Irenaeus held the same view
- 8 Sitz in leben of Isa. 7-12
- 9 System of dating
- 10 Kingdom of Aram (Syria KJV)
- 11 Historical background of Is. 7
- 12 Ahaz' clever scheme

Lecture #2 9/17/79

- 1 Difference between Syria and Assyria
The crisis that came at the beginning of Ahaz' career as king
- 2 The historical event behind Is 7 and Isaiah's response.
- 3 Character of mother and wife of Hezekiah==effect on Ahaz
Character of child is determined more by mother than by father
- 5 Isaiah's meeting with Ahaz at the end of the aqueduct of the Upper Pool
- 6 He goes there where Ahaz cannot ignore or dismiss him very well
- 7 Isaiah's message to Ahaz
- 8 What method did God use to speak his message thru Isaiah?
- 9 Thomas demanding evidence
Is 7:13-16
- 10 The promise will take effect within 65 years
Is 7:18
- 11 Is 7:20
- 12 Is 36-37 shows ultimate result of what Ahaz did.
Three part assignment
- 13 Is 7:2, 10 cf. 2 Sam 7 House of David
- 14 Is 7:11 the house of David
- 15 Son of Tabeal unknown
- 16 Within 65 years == was actually about 12 years

Lecture 3 9/24/79

- 1 review of assignment
importance of giving spot where Isaiah met Ahaz
- 2 The sign God gave Hezekiah Is 37:30
- 3 Two problems: survival of people; survival of land
Ch divisions and the Archbishop
- 4 Siege of cities by Assyrians
- 5 Divisions of thought in Is 37 and 36
- 6 Tirhakah king of Cush (Egypt)
- 7 Destruction of Sennacherib's army and Herodotus / Is 8-12
- 8 Scarcity of secular records re Sennacherib's achievements but
value of ones we have
- 10 Attitude of Berlin prof toward discrepancies between Bible and
Assyrian records