

and kill half of us and enslave the rest, and we are told at the very spot where Isa. warned Ahaz that he should not make this deal with the Assyrians. So Isa. goes there and says to him ----- Now think of the situation, here is Ahaz secretly has sent messengers to T.P. promising him grt. sums of money if he'll only come and protect him from Israel and from Syria. And trying to strengthen the defences and encourage the ~~pop~~ people to stand strongly and hold the city with, in Ahaz' mind they don't have to hold it very long. But it is important that they hold it ~~up~~ until T.P. gets there, who Ahaz has hired to come and protect him. And so Ahaz wants to encourage the people, but he feels there is no grt. danger if they will only stand just long enough till T.P. gets there, tho the people don't know that.

But Isa. says, Take heed and be quite, fear not neither be faint hearted for the two tails of these smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Resin of Syria and and of the Son of Remiliah, that's Pekah. Because Syria, Ephraim, and the son of Remiliah have taken counsel against thee saying, Let us go up against Judah and vex, and let us make a breach..... and set a king in the midst of it even the son of T. Thus saith the Lord God It shall not pass, and neither shall it come to pass. For the head of S. is Dam. and the head of Dam. is Resin, and within 65 yrs. shall Ephraim be broken that it be not a people and th head of Ephraim is Samaria and the head of Sam. is Remiliah's son, If you won't believe, surely you shall not be established. And when he says this, you can just imagine Ahaz' situation. Ahaz says, Yes, we are not afraid of these people, because I have secretly hired T.P. to come and attack them and protect us, I'm not afraid of. him. But I don't want the people to know too much about this because I want them to fight to hold them off until T.P. gets here. And I wish this fellow wouldn't hold up the defense work here with his ~~talk~~ talk and people are stopping to listen, but I can't tell ~~them~~ him to get out or tell the guards to push him away because it would hurt the morale of the people, so welll have to let him speak a little bit. That is evidently what is in Ahaz' mind as Isa. gives this message. Also, Ahsz says, What's the point of this. Within 65 yrs, (vs.8 says)