

of the house of David, his own leader for the godly who will be utterly different from this worldling, this Ahaz, and so he says, the Lord will give you a sign. This sign will be a miraculous event. A virgin is going to conceive and bear a son, and this miraculous event occurs, and the One who comes he is not going to be called by the name of Immanuel, he is going to be called Jesus. But this is designating His character, the name ~~that~~ is often the designation for the character, for the type of person. This is the type He is going to be. He is going actually to be God with us. It does not clearly teach the deity of Christ, but it suggests it very very strongly. Immanuel is going to replace Ahaz in His own time. So thus He has given the godly people encouragement. Within a very few years they will be completely free from Syria and Ephraim. Within 65 yrs. Ephraim will be broken. There will be no longer a people. He is ~~giving~~ giving them encouragement that God is sending Immanuel eventually in His own time, and He is giving Ahaz a rebuke that God will not put up with that sort of leaders of the house of David forever, and that the clever schemes that Ahaz has made with his Alliances with Assyrian are going to come to nothing, and that instead it is going to bring terrible danger/^{from} which only the power of God can deliver them.

Now we find this theme of Immanuel again interestingly in ch. 8. There you can't just bring it out well in the English. It says, I just read you vs. 3 of ch. 8, He will pass thro Judah, He will overflow and he will reach the next. The stretchings of his wings will fill the breadth of thy land, O Immanuel." How does he come to be talking to Immanuel here now. Well of course it is a figure of speech. It is recognizing the fact that this land is Immanuel's land. This is Christ's land. This is the land that belongs to the people of God, and because of Ahaz wicked schemes the Assyrian is going to ~~find~~ flood through it. It is Immanuel's land. Then we find --vs. 10 == "Take counsel together and it shall come to nought. Speak the word and it shall not stand, for Immanuel (the Heb. is exactly the same here as it is at the end of vs. 8- but here they translate it, "for God is with us". That's what ~~find~~ Immanuel means. So either place you can translate it, "for God is with us", but in the first case