

Survey of Isa. 7-12, 28-35

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that they might go and fall backward and be broken, and snared, and taken." This is what is ahead. You won't listen to the simple teaching of God's Word ==message. ^d ~~strange~~ God will speak by the simple and understandable talking of these/ enemies who come in and overrun your land. I think the KJ people did not understand the ~~heavily~~ meaning of these chapters here. They got the words. Their words are quite literally translated, most of them. But in many cases there are two possibilities and in many cases they have chosen the ~~wot~~ wrong possibility. Because they did not get the sense of it as a whole. If only Isa. had put in, This is what I said to the banquet on this particular occasion, they would have had the background and have gotten it. But when you understand that is the situation and interpret the words as I think most other translations do interpret it, you see how it exactly fits there. That is the message he gives.

He continues vs. 14, Wherefore hear the word of the Lord, ye scornful men
 vs. 15 . . . we have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement . . .
 What does he mean? It means you have sent messengers to T.P. You have sent messengers to this grt. scourge that is threatening to conquer all the nations, and you have said, You protect us from Israel and Syria and we'll give you all this ^{booty} ~~food~~. You have made a covenant with death, and you have said, With hell are we in agreement When the overflowing scourge shall pass through it won't come to us for we have made lies our refuge and under falsehoods have we hid ourselves. Therefore thus saith the Lord ~~Yot~~/God, Behold, I lay in Z. for a foundation a stone, a tried stone shall not make haste. . . vs. 17 Judgement also will I lay to the line waters shall overflow the hiding place." You think your alliance with T.P. is going to protect you but you will find that the source will come to you as well as to these other nations and the removal of the nations in between just put them right next to you. "Your covenant with death shall be dissannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand ye shall be trodden down by it. And vs. 20 is a very picturesque expression of the failure of the clever stunt of this alliance with T.P. vs. 20, For the bed is shorter than that a man can ^{stretch} ~~stretch~~ himself wrap himself in it. @