

When I Admit To God's Patience

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Isaiah 7:10-25

He had already made up his mind; his plans weren't going to be changed by the words of a preacher. Ahaz dismissed Isaiah, even quoting Scripture to defend his stubbornness.

Although God had been very patient in His dealings with the nation, now the king was ignoring God. And Isaiah let him know about it in no uncertain terms. God would bring this matter to a head in His way and in His time; His purposes wouldn't change because of one leader's stubbornness.

If Ahaz would not request a sign, one would be given. Isaiah said, "Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel." "Immanuel" means "God with us." It was to be a great blessing, but not for the one with a stubborn spirit.

To say that there is an end to God's patience reminds us that God does intervene in human history, so that His purposes might be fulfilled. God's purpose is to give you hope and a future (Jeremiah 29:11).

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