

Don't Panic

Isaiah 7:17-8:22

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01 Share a time in your life when you were under pressure and needed to make a quick decision. What helped you decide whom or what to trust?

02 Pray and read Isaiah 7:17-8:22.

03 In 7:18-25, Isaiah gives Ahaz some vivid images of what will happen if he relies on Assyria instead of God in his nation's time of crisis. What do these images communicate?

04 In 8:1-4, Isaiah's wife gives birth to a son, to be named Maher-Shalal-Hash-Baz, which means 'quick to the spoil'. What does this sign mean for Judah (cf v.18)?

05 In 8:11-22, how are Judah meant to respond to God? What will happen if they fear other things more than God?

06 What are some of the places in our society where people turn for help to gain control over their lives?

07 How can we as Christians show love and friendship to those we know in such circumstances?

08 What some examples in the New Testament account, where we find people responding faithfully to God in times of pressure and crisis? What motivated them to remain faithful?

09 When you are under pressure in life, how can you keep on trusting in God in those moments and not give in to panic?

10 What is something from this study that you might take away?

11 Pray for each other, and those in our life who are facing hardship or under pressure.