

Isaiah 7:1-9  
Facing Overwhelming Odds

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Considering what has been lost  
Clinging to what truly matters (Acts 20:24)

Allied forces opposing you  
Education, media (news and entertainment) and government  
Enemy has more power and resources (I John 4:4)

Stay calm (3-8)

Do not be afraid (Proverbs 29:25)

Do not lose heart (II Corinthians 4:16-18)

Do recognize your opposition (Psalm 27:1-3)

Do believe and trust in God's promises (II Corinthians 1:20 / II Peter 1:3-4)

Stand firm (9) – (Ephesians 6:10-18)

Fear not those who oppose God (Luke 12:4-9 / II Chronicles 32:7-8)

Faith must keep us strong

Jesus is Sovereign (Matthew 29:18 / Ephesians 1:20-22)

Jesus is omnipotent (Philippians 3:20-21 / Revelation 1:8)

Jesus is Omniscient (Colossians 2:3)

Jesus is Omnipresent (Matthew 18:20; 28:20 / Hebrews 13:5)

Jesus is eternal (Isaiah 9:6 / John 1:1 / Hebrews 7:23-25)

Jesus is immutable (Hebrews 1:12; 13:8)

Jesus loves me (I John 3:16)

Discussion questions for Isaiah 7:1-9

Why does God sometimes allow the world around us to collapse?

(II Corinthians 1:8-9)

(John 9:1-3)

(Hebrews 12:7-11)

(Isaiah 55:8-11 / Luke 24:25)

Does it always mean that we are out of His will? Explain. (John 15:18-21)

When we are in God's will, what can we be confident of? (II Corinthians 12:9-10 / Hebrews 13:5)

What steps can be taken to keep us calm and at peace in the midst of the storm?  
(Philippians 4:6-9)

How do we stand firm in our faith?

(II Timothy 3:16-17)

(Ephesians 6:10-18)

(II Peter 1:5-9)

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Almost overtaken – so little is left ***Amazing to see how fast things can change***

Considering what has been lost

Clinging to what truly matters (Acts 20:24)

***What truly matter? Doing God's work, being obedient to His call***

Allied forces opposing you

Education, media (news and entertainment) and government

Enemy has more power and resources (I John 4:4) ***Who is on your side?***

***What do apparent losses indicate? God is fulfilling His purpose!***

Stay calm (3-8)

Do not be afraid (Proverbs 29:25) ***Trusting in God is our only safe haven***

Do not lose heart (II Corinthians 4:16-18)

***Is your hope diminishing or growing? Where is your hope?***

Do recognize your opposition (Psalm 27:1-3)

***They enemy is greater than our fleshly resources – we need God (James 4:7)***

Do believe and trust in God's promises (II Corinthians 1:20 / II Peter 1:3-4)

***All His promises are ours in Christ Jesus***

Stand firm (9) – (Ephesians 6:10-18)

***Our strength comes from His might power – we cannot forget who the enemy is***

Fear not those who oppose God (Luke 12:4-9 / II Chronicles 32:7-8)

***Pray for them – knowing their destiny (II Thess. 1:6-9 / Phil. 3:18-19)***

Faith must keep us strong ***The more we know Him, the greater our faith!***

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Why does God sometimes allow the world around us to collapse?

(II Corinthians 1:8-9) **To bring us to complete dependance on Him**

(John 9:1-3) **To show His glory**

(Hebrews 12:7-11) **To discipline those He loves**

(Isaiah 55:8-11 / Luke 24:25) **To fulfill His prophecies and accomplish His plan**

Does it always mean that we are out of His will? Explain. (John 15:18-21)

**NO! He call us to suffer (I Peter 2:21) and to experience persecution (II Timothy 3:12)**

**He is molding our character (Romans 5:3-5 / I Peter 1:6-9)**

When we are in God's will, what can we be confident of?

(II Corinthians 12:9-10 / Hebrews 13:5)

**In our weakness we will find His grace and His strength**

**He will always be with us.**

What steps can be taken to keep us calm and at peace in the midst of the storm?

(Philippians 4:6-9)

**Pray and give thanks to Him. Meditate on the things that are of Him.**

**Fix your thoughts, heart and mind on things above (Colossians 3:1-4/Hebrews 3:1; 12:1-2)**

How do we stand firm in our faith?

(II Timothy 3:16-17) **The equipping of His word for every good work**

(Ephesians 6:10-18) **The reliance upon His might strength – putting on His armor**

(II Peter 1:5-9) **The walk of obedience – growing in the building blocks of our faith**