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## P R E F A C E

The righteousness of God, apart from the law, was manifested in Jesus Christ. The New Testament is a record of that perfect and final manifestation. But the law and the prophets bore witness to that manifestation (Rom. 3:21).

Of all the "law and the prophets", Isaiah is the chief witness to that "righteousness of God" manifested in Jesus Christ. Isaiah is appropriately called, "The Gospel Prophet." The Messiah's coming, His nature, His work are most graphically and abundantly predicted by Isaiah. The Messiah's kingdom, its coming, its nature, its citizenry, its universality and its victory over its enemies are most vividly portrayed by Isaiah.

We have deliberately refrained from dealing with highly technical problems of textual nature in order to concentrate on application of Isaiah's message to our needs. If the student wishes further study of a more technical nature, other works more competent than ours are available.

Our fourteen years of classroom instruction in the prophets coupled with class notes of V.K. Allison, former professor of Old Testament at San Jose Bible College, form the basis for these volumes.

We commit them to God and His church, the Israel of God, and pray they may glorify His servant, Immanuel, and bring us all to a deeper participation in His glorious Zion, the universal kingdom of God.

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THIS VOLUME  
IS  
DEDICATED  
TO  
**Roberta Kenoyer**  
a true servant of God  
and a  
friend, helper and encourager  
to  
anyone  
in need.

# ISAI AH

by Sherry Butler Lankford

Isaiah son of Amoz, in an hour of meditation  
saw God enthroned in splendor . . . he would never be the same.  
Looked inside himself and realized  
he was needy and unworthy; repentance brought him healing.

Sixty years were spent in preaching  
writing prophecies, predicting . . . thru stormy days  
and sunlit season love for God brought dignity.  
He fixed his heart and set his hand,  
to do the thing God did command:  
"Thou'll keep in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on thee."

Deep convictions, kingly courage, not a coward soul was he;  
bore hardships, perils, disappointment . . .  
thru God's strength had victory.  
He saw heaven's glories shining and  
this gave his words more meaning as they came to human ears:  
"Fear not, I am with thee, for I am God; I help thee."

Isaiah son of Amoz, spent his life in bringing the Remnant  
to communion with the Father and a knowledge of His word,  
to sense something of His loveliness and  
to feel His precious nearness  
to trust His holy guidance, what a worthy aim for us.  
"Flowers fade and grass will wither, but the word of God's forever."





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