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Haiti Offering this week: \$61,180.37

Plus the Church Match:

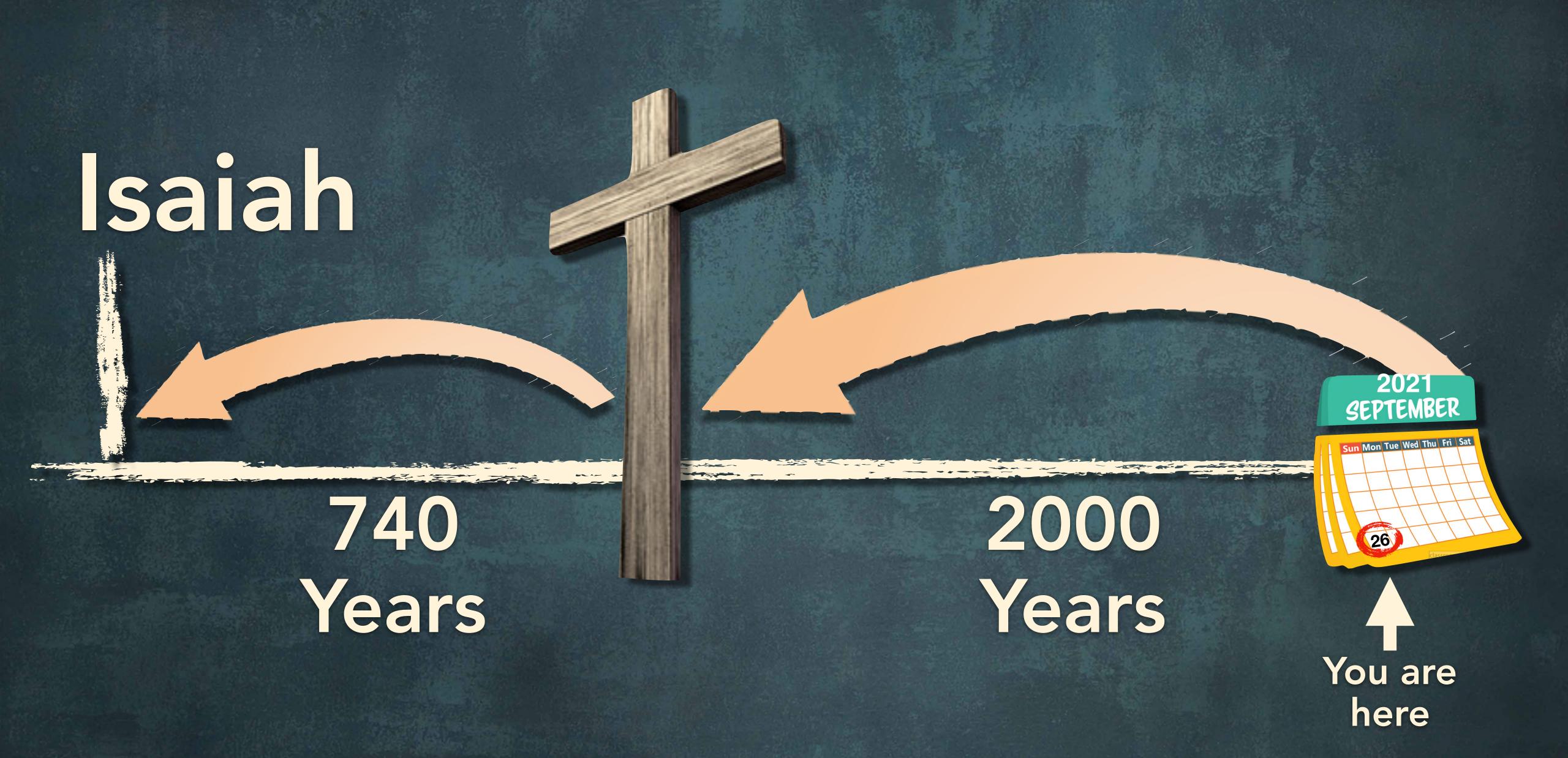
+ \$61,180.37

Current Total to Haiti:

\$122,360.74

*Continue to match thru 9/30





Isaiah lived in a very broken world—just like the world we find ourselves in today.

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Isaiah Chapter 5

- 1. (v.8) Greed & a lust for land
- 2. (v.11) Living for pleasure
- 3. (v.18) Scoffing & unbelief
- 4. (v.20) Call evil good & good evil
- 5. (v.21) Wise in their own eyes
- 6. (v.22) Alcohol & corruption

Isaiah 6:



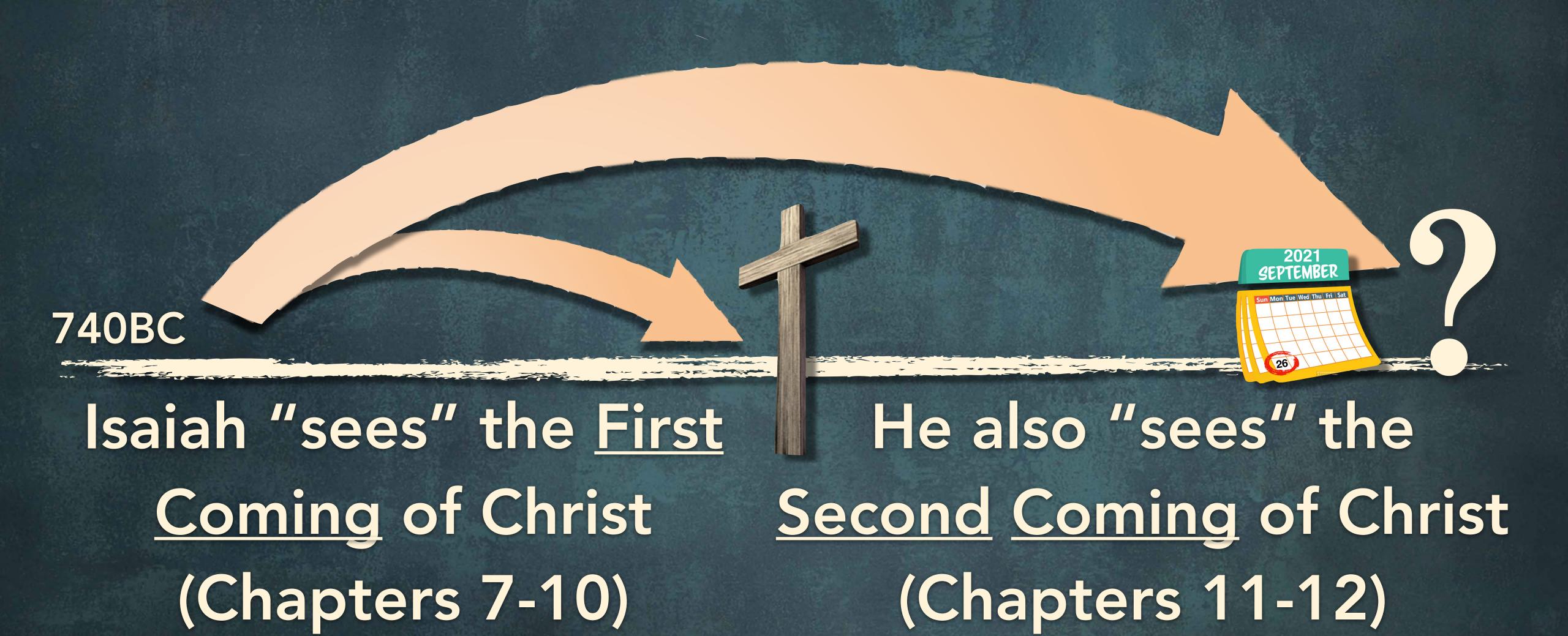
Isaiah is <u>confronted</u> by God.

He experiences a <u>conversion</u>.

Broken World

He's <u>called</u> to proclaim.

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Isaiah 10:5-6 God will use the Assyrians to bring judgment on His people. 740BC

Isaiah 10:12

God will then
judge the Assyrians
for their pride
and violence.

Isaiah 10:33-34
The vision is one of total devastation and destruction.

A clear-cut forest.

Isaiah 10:33-34

³³ See, the Lord, the Lord Almighty, will lop off the boughs with great power. The lofty trees will be felled, the tall ones will be brought low. 34 He will cut down the forest thickets with an ax; Lebanon will fall before the Mighty One.



Isaiah 11:1-3a

¹ "A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from His roots a Branch will bear fruit. ²The Spirit of the Lord will rest on Him the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the Lord— ³and He will delight in the fear of the Lord.

The "Branch" from Jesse — Jesus!



But that's not all lsaiah sees!

Isaiah 11:3b-5

"He will not judge by what He sees with His eyes, or decide by what He hears with His ears; but with righteousness He will judge the needy, with justice He will give decisions for the poor of the earth. He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth; with the breath of His lips He will slay the wicked. Righteousness will be His belt and faithfulness the sash around His waist.

When will this happen?

Isaiah 11:6-9

"The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them. The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox. The infant will play near the cobra's den, and the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest. They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, or the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah certainly isn't describing THIS day...

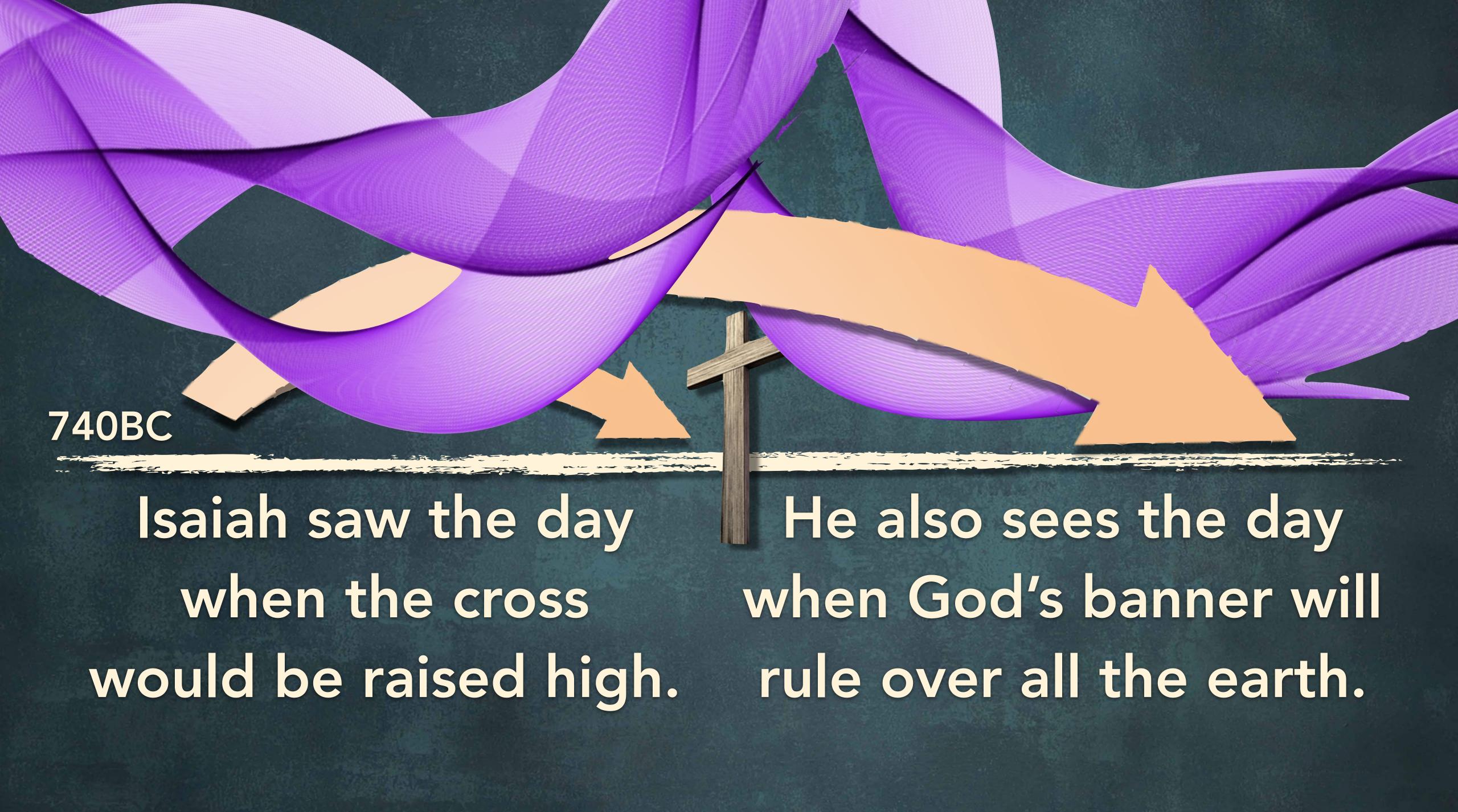
He's describing THAT day!

Isaiah 11:10-12

10 "In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to Him, and His resting place will be glorious. In that day the Lord will reach out His hand a second time to reclaim the surviving remnant of His people from Assyria, from Lower Egypt, from Upper Egypt, from Cush, from Elam, from Babylonia, from Hamath and from the islands of the Mediterranean. He will raise a banner for the nations and gather the exiles of Israel; He will assemble the scattered people of Judah from the four quarters of the earth."

The banner of God the flag of God's Kingdom will fly over all the earth.





Jesus is coming back.

And on that day we will say...
-Isaiah 12-

I'm part of the fellowship of the unashamed. I have Holy Spirit power. The die has been cast. I have stepped over the line. The decision has been made. I'm a disciple of His.I won't look back, let up, slow down, back away or be still. My past is redeemed, my present makes sense, my future is secure.

I'm finished and done with low living, sight walking, small planning, smooth knees, colorless dreams, tamed vision, mundane talking, cheap living and dwarfed goals. I no longer need preeminence, prosperity, position, promotion, plaudits, or popularity.

I don't have to be right, first, tops, recognized, praised, regarded, or rewarded. I now live by faith, lean on His presence, walk by patience, lift by prayer, and labor by power. My face is set, my gait is fast, my goal is heaven, my road is narrow, my way is rough, my companions few, my Guide reliable, my mission clear.

I cannot be bought, compromised, detoured, lured away, turned back, deluded, or delayed. I will not flinch in the face of sacrifice, hesitate in the presence of the adversary, negotiate at the table of the enemy, ponder at the pool of popularity, or meander in the maze of mediocrity.

I won't give up, shut up, or let up until I have stayed up, stored up, prayed up, paid up, and preached up for the cause of Christ. I am a disciple of Jesus. I must go till He comes, give till I drop, preach till all know, and work till He stops me. And when He comes for His own, He will have no problem recognizing me... My banner will be clear.

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