

Week 32

Hezekiah Part Two

2 Kings 20 2 Chron 29-31 Isaiah 36-39

The Bible tells Hezekiah's story in two very different ways. As we saw last time, the book of Kings show us his military victories. And these victories were a result of His surrender and reliance on the Lord. The writer of Chronicles, however, shows us Hezekiah's great interest in the Temple. Hezekiah is determined to reform the nation. He wants to bring his people back to the true worship of the true God of Israel. His great Passover celebration is the high point of his spiritual victories. Hezekiah's reign is the opportunity for a new start. Hezekiah did as *his father David had done* and his reign shows many parallels to Solomon when he first built the Temple. Hezekiah is presented in Chronicles as the greatest of the kings of Judah since the reign of Solomon. All of this takes place as the Assyrians are conquering Israel and taking her into captivity, and in the background is the imminent threat of invasion by Sennacherib. But we already know the rest of that story.

Outline: Hezekiah

Part Two: The Spiritual Victories

2 Chron 29-31 2 Kings 20

2 Chron 29-31 The Faithful Actions of a Humble King

- 29:3-19 Hezekiah cleanses the Temple
- 29:20-36 Hezekiah restores Temple worship
- 30:1-21 Hezekiah's great Passover
- 30:22-27 Extended devotion and joy in the Lord
- 31:1-21 Hezekiah provides for the Priests
- 32:24-33 Hezekiah's pride and achievements [*2 Kings 20:20-21*]

2 Kings 20 The Humble King Stumbles

- 20:1-11 Hezekiah's illness and miraculous recovery [*2 Chron 32:24*]
- 20:12-15 Hezekiah's visitors from Babylon [*2 Chron 32:25*]
- 20:16-19 Isaiah prophesies the Babylonian Captivity