

BibleWise

Discussion Questions – Hezekiah

Read II Kings 18-20

Discuss the wonderful story of Hezekiah. II Chronicles 29 - Hezekiah was nothing like his father.

- Describe King Ahaz.
- Describe Hezekiah.
- What is the major difference between this father and son? (obedience to God)
- What was one of the first things Hezekiah did as king? (got rid of the idols in the Temple and re-established the Passover feast)
- What one unusual thing were the people worshipping? (the brass serpent)
- What is the story behind the brass serpent? (Numbers 21:5-9)
- Why was Hezekiah afraid of King Sennacherib? (he quit paying taxes to Sennacherib and now he wanted to destroy Hezekiah and all of Judah)
- What did Hezekiah do with the letter he received from Sennacherib? (he spread it out in the Temple and prayed and then asked for the prophet Isaiah's advice)
- What did Isaiah tell Hezekiah? (that this battle belonged to God)
- What happened to Sennacherib's troops? (many died of a plague and the rest went back home - they never attacked Judah again)
- When Hezekiah was sick and about to die, what did he ask Isaiah? (if he would live)
- After Isaiah told Hezekiah he was going to die, what did Hezekiah do? (He prayed)

God told Isaiah to go back and tell Hezekiah he would live.

- What did Hezekiah demand of Isaiah? (a sign)
- What kind of a sign did Hezekiah want? (the sun to go back ten degrees)
- Do you ever ask God for a sign?
- What do we learn about Hezekiah? (He obeys God, he turns to God whenever he's in trouble, he prays,...)
- Why was Hezekiah's tunnel dug? (Judah was under attack, and his enemy was just waiting to cut off the supply of water to the city. Workmen worked

underground at one end by the source of the water and the others under the city. They created a tunnel with just a bit of a jog in it that would bring water to the city if they needed it. What precision to work so quickly and only be off a few feet! That's where complete faith and trust in God come in to help us accomplish all good.)

- What other things do you know about Hezekiah?