Hezekiah, Josiah & Exile

2 Kings 18-25
Name _____ Date _____

Read & think

READ IN ORDER

1. 2 Kings 18
2. 2 Kings 19
3. 2 Kings 20-21
4. 2 Kings 22
5. 2 Kings 23
6. 2 Kings 24-25

MAIN POINTS

- Hezekiah's removal of worship sites and objects, trust in the LORD, and prayer over Sennacherib's letter form the opening movement (2 Kings 18:3-7; 19:14-20).

- The healing, fifteen added years, and backward-shadow sign are followed by Hezekiah's display to Babylon and Isaiah's warning of removal (2 Kings 20:1-19).

- The judgments announced under Manasseh stand beside Josiah's tender response, public covenant, extensive removals, and passover (2 Kings 21:10-16; 22:8-20; 23:1-27).

- The deportation under Jehoiachin, Jerusalem's destruction under Zedekiah, Gedaliah's murder, flight to Egypt, and Jehoiachin's release complete the account (2 Kings 24:8-20; 25:1-30).

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

1. How does Hezekiah respond as Assyria's threat moves from public speech to a written letter?
2 Kings 18:36-37

2. How does Hezekiah's display to Babylon connect with the later removal of treasure?
2 Kings 20:12-18

3. Josiah's response to the found book moved through grief, inquiry, public reading, covenant commitment, and concrete reform (2 Kings 22:10-20; 23:1-25). Where does your response to Scripture tend to stop short?
2 Kings 22:10-20

MEMORY VERSE / 2 Kings 19:14-15

Hezekiah read Sennacherib's letter, spread it before the LORD, and began his prayer by naming the LORD as God alone over all kingdoms (2 Kings 19:14-15).

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Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers and read it. Then Hezekiah went up to Yahweh’s house, and spread it before Yahweh. Hezekiah prayed before Yahweh, and said, “Yahweh, the God of Israel, enthroned above the cherubim, you are the God, even you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth.

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And Hezekiah received the letter of the hand of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went up into the house of the LORD, and spread it before the LORD. And Hezekiah prayed before the LORD, and said, O LORD God of Israel, which dwellest between the cherubims, thou art the God, even thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; thou hast made heaven and earth.

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Main verse _____ Bonus verse(s) _____

Passage or verse _____

NOTES

ONE THING TO PUT INTO PRACTICE

PRAYER