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Background Reading:

- 2 Kings 18:1-12
  - 19:1-5
- Psalm 34:19
- 2 Chronicles 20:3
- Isaiah 40:27-31
  - 41:8

Devotional Reading:

- Isaiah 39:1-8

Guided Questions

1. What happened to Hezekiah that made him sick?
2. How did he recover from the sickness?
3. What lesson can the believers learn from Hezekiah's sickness?
4. What kind of king was his son?
5. Why did God send the prophet to prophesy to Hezekiah about losses?

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Background Reading

2 Kings 18:1-12

1 Now it came to pass in the third year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, that Hezekiah the son of Ahaz king of Judah began to reign.

2 Twenty and five years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Abi, the daughter of Zachariah.

3 And he did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, according to all that David his father did.

4 He removed the high places, and brake the images, and cut down the groves, and brake in pieces the brasen serpent that Moses had made: for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense to it: and he called it Nehushtan.

5 He trusted in the Lord God of Israel; so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor any that were before him.

6 For he clave to the Lord, and departed not from following him, but kept his commandments, which the Lord commanded Moses.

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2 Kings 18:1-12

7 And the Lord was with him; and he prospered whithersoever he went forth: and he rebelled against the king of Assyria, and served him not.

8 He smote the Philistines, even unto Gaza, and the borders thereof, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city.

9 And it came to pass in the fourth year of king Hezekiah, which was the seventh year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, that Shalmaneser king of Assyria came up against Samaria, and besieged it.

10 And at the end of three years they took it: even in the sixth year of Hezekiah, that is in the ninth year of Hoshea king of Israel, Samaria was taken.

11 And the king of Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria, and put them in Halah and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes:

12 Because they obeyed not the voice of the Lord their God, but transgressed his covenant, and all that Moses the servant of the Lord commanded, and would not hear them, nor do them.

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Background Reading

2 Kings 19:1-5

1 And it came to pass, when king Hezekiah heard it, that he rent his clothes, and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of the Lord.

2 And he sent Eliakim, which was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders of the priests, covered with sackcloth, to Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.

3 And they said unto him, Thus saith Hezekiah, This day is a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and blasphemy; for the children are come to the birth, and there is not strength to bring forth.

4 It may be the Lord thy God will hear all the words of Rabshakeh, whom the king of Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the living God; and will reprove the words which the Lord thy God hath heard: wherefore lift up thy prayer for the remnant that are left.

5 So the servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

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Background Reading

Psalm 34:19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of them all.

2 Chronicles 20:3 And Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek the Lord, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah.

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Background Reading

Isaiah 40:27-31

27 Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the Lord, and my judgment is passed over from my God?

28 Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

29 He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

31 But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

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Background Reading

Isaiah 41:8 But thou, Israel, art my servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the seed of Abraham my friend.

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Devotional Reading

Isaiah 39

1 At that time Merodachbaladan, the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present to Hezekiah: for he had heard that he had been sick, and was recovered.

2 And Hezekiah was glad of them, and shewed them the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and all the house of his armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.

3 Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, What said these men? and from whence came they unto thee? And Hezekiah said, They are come from a far country unto me, even from Babylon.

4 Then said he, What have they seen in thine house? And Hezekiah answered, All that is in mine house have they seen: there is nothing among my treasures that I have not shewed them.

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Devotional Reading

Isaiah 39

5 Then said Isaiah to Hezekiah, Hear the word of the Lord of hosts:

6 Behold, the days come, that all that is in thine house, and that which thy fathers have laid up in store until this day, shall be carried to Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the Lord.

7 And of thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.

8 Then said Hezekiah to Isaiah, Good is the word of the Lord which thou hast spoken. He said moreover, For there shall be peace and truth in my days.

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Central Verse

Isaiah 38:21 (KJV)

"For Isaiah had said, let them take a lump of figs, and lay it for a plaster upon the boil, and he shall recover."

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INTRODUCTION

Where do believers go when life seems to have overwhelmed them? God invites the believers to come boldly before His throne in prayer. God waits, He listens and He guides as they pour out their hearts to Him. Even in difficult times, through their prayers they find strength to accomplish the assignments for their lives.

Hezekiah had been busy cleaning up the mess that his father had made while he was king. He had brough back true worship into the nation. He led Israel into victory after being defeated by King Sennacherib after they won against them and openly taunted and defied Israel's God. Hezekiah prayed to God and God had given him guidance and finally victory.

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After the victory and the spiritual renewal came, Hezekiah had been stricken and became sick. It was only after God spoke to him through His prophet Isaiah, that he was overwhelmed with the problems that God spoke and moved for him in a positive way. It was devasting to Hezekiah when the prophet came to him and told him that God said to put his house in order because he was going to die and not live.

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DISCUSSION

Hezekiah was known as a righteous king and was the son of the ungodly king Ahaz. He became the king of Judah at the age of twenty-five years old and reigned in Jerusalem for twenty-nine years. He was known as a faithful worshipper of the True God and he was the king who reopened the Temple of Solomon. At the time of Passover, he gathered all the subjects of the kingdom of Israel and instructed them to eradicate the idols throughout the kingdom. He warned the people of the retributions which befell their ancestors for abandoning the True God. Hezekiah's name means "to be strong"' or "God gives strength."

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DISCUSSION

It took strength for Hezekiah to listen to Prophet Isaiah tells him to put his house in order because he was going to die. He decided and began to pray to his God. He turned his face to the wall and reminded God of how he had been faithful to Him, and he was not ready to die. It takes faith to speak to God and tell Him that you are not ready to die. The Word tells the believer that if he abides in God's Word and allows God's Word to abide in him, he can ask whatever he wants, and God will answer that request.

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DISCUSSION

God spoke to the Prophet and told him to go back to Hezekiah and tell him that he would add fifteen more years to his life. What joy filled King Hezekiah's heart when he heard the good news that his life would be extended. God gave Hezekiah the formula to help bring about his healing. It gives God pleasure to heal His children when they are sick. "Many are the affliction of the righteous, but the Lord delivers them from them all."

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DISCUSSION

Life and death are encountered daily by some believers; they are part of life. But believers must know and understand that they can pray about whatever they desire from God. He said that believers can come boldly to the Throne of Grace and receive the grace that is needed for their lives. Believers must believe that God will see them through all the crises they are facing. Many times, God wants to do something great in and through believers, as He did with Hezekiah, so that He will be exalted among the people. He designed His children for endurance. He knew that they would need resilience and strength to endure hardship as good soldiers.

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DISCUSSION

God's believers must remain watchful even in times of victory. Berodach-baladan, king of Babylon, heard that King Hezekiah had been sick so he sent letters and a present to Hezekiah. Hezekiah responded to him, brought him in, and showed him all the precious things in his house. He showed him the gold, the silver, the spices, the precious ointment, and all the house of his armor, and all that was found in his treasures. He didn’t hide anything; he showed him everything of value in the house.

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DISCUSSION

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CONCLUSION

After the prophecy had been fulfilled, King Hezekiah died and his twelve-year-old son Manasseh became the king. He did the opposite of his father Hezekiah. He did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord. He built up again the high places and reared up altars for Baal and made a grove just like Ahab King of Israel. He made his sons pass through the fire, observed times, and used enchantments. He dealt with familiar spirits and wizards and so much wickedness in the sight of the Lord until he provoked Him to anger. He set up a graven image in the house of the Lord He angered God to such a point that God had His prophet speak to the people. He let them know that because of Manasseh's abominations that He was going to bring evil upon Jerusalem and Judah that when people hear about it, it would make their ears tingle.

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ESSENTIAL THOUGHT

A believer's strength and courage come from having a relationship with God.

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