

## God's grace when we fail at faith

2 Kings 18:13-19:37, p. 308

### I. **GODLY KING HEZEKIAH MOMENTARILY FAILED TO TRUST GOD BECAUSE OF FEAR (2 KINGS 18:13-37).**

- A. Hezekiah was godly, unlike his father Ahaz (review 18:1-12).
  - 2 Chronicles 32:1-8 – To prepare for the Assyrians, Hezekiah equipped the army, built a tunnel to insure a water supply and urged the people to trust God.
- B. FAIL – When Assyria captured most cities in Judah, Hezekiah fearfully sent a bribe for peace (2 Kings 18:13-16).
- C. Assyria sent messengers trying to force Hezekiah to fully surrender by mocking their faith in God (2 Kings 18:17-37).

### II. **GOD MIRACULOUSLY DELIVERED HEZEKIAH WHEN HE HUMBLY PRAYED (2 KINGS 19:1-37).**

- A. FAITH – Hezekiah pled with Isaiah to pray and God promised to miraculously deliver them (19:1-7).
- B. Assyria again sent a message threatening Judah (19:8-13).
- C. FAITH – Hezekiah read the message and then prayed for deliverance so that God would be glorified (19:14-19).
- D. Isaiah sent Hezekiah a message that God would answer his prayer and deliver them (19:20-34).
- E. An angel killed 185,000 Assyrians that night and later King Sennacherib's sons assassinated him (19:35-37).