

Quest For Wholeness Podcast 7 Listening Guide

Over the past few podcasts, we have learned:

- In the New Testament, over and over again, the work of God in lives was conditional, based on faith. Thus we are looking at lives filled with faith.
- Joshua realized his link to the past was dead. This is necessary for moving into the Promised land, forgetting the past, and reaching forward to the Promise of God in our life.
- Caleb wholly followed the Lord. He was wholehearted in his devotion to God. Wholehearted does not mean perfect. Caleb had to have a stick-to-it-ness for 45 years to receive his promise.
- Northern Israel made small concessions in their life which eventually resulted in their removal (by God) from their Promised land.

Remember that much of what God does in our life is conditional. His love for His people was and is not, but His promise of healing was and still is conditional. Entering the Promised land was and still is conditional.

Exodus 15:26

"If you diligently heed the voice of the LORD your God and do what is right in His sight, give ear to His commandments and keep all His statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have brought on the Egyptians. For I *am* the LORD who heals you."

Deuteronomy 28 is a great place to see a picture of God's conditional promises.

This week we are going to look at what was happening in Southern Israel or Judah at the same time that Northern Israel was being carried away because they had walked in such deliberate opposition concerning the Lord and His commands.

- Hezekiah became king between Hoshea's 3rd and 4th year of reign
- Hezekiah had to face the same evil Assyrian pagan king as Northern Israel but the results for Judah were quite different from Israel.

2 Kings 18:3-8

There was no king **Before** him or **After** him like Him. – sounds like Hezekiah was wholehearted to me!

What set him apart:

1. He **trusted** in the Lord.
2. He **held fast** to the Lord.
3. He **obeyed** God.

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to cling, stick, stay close, cleave,
keep close, stick to,
stick with, follow closely, join to

2 Chronicles 31:20-21 reemphasizes the 3 points we identified in 2 Kings that Hezekiah trusted in, held fast to, and obeyed God.

Here we see that:

4. He did what was **good** and **right** and **true** before the Lord **his** God. WHY? Because He trusted God. That is the only reason any of us are every going to live a life like this.
5. He did everything in relation to God with **wholeheartedness**. – Remember Caleb.

The RESULT - **So** he **prospered** wherever he went.

Christians hear the word prosper and our mind immediately goes to financial prospering. There are many ways we prosper. We can prosper in wisdom that helps us to make smart decisions. We can prosper in our careers. We can prosper in our relationship with the Lord and have a rock that steadies us despite any storm.

Hezekiah prospered because He trusted the Lord.

2 Kings 18:13 – The **enemy** came **after** him **too and again**.

- in his 14th year - 10 years of silence and peace is ended

The enemy's letter – 2 Kings 19:10-13

Hezekiah's response – 2 Kings 19:14-19

Hezekiah's response was prayer. He did not respond to the pagan king. He went to his King, the Lord God Almighty.

Prayer for salvation:

- 1) Calls out and declares God, God alone.
- 2) Pleads with God to hear and see.
- 3) Prays for God to save them and God to be glorified.

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Much love and blessings,
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