

## Prayer and How it Impacted Hezekiah's Life QFW Podcast 8 Listening Guide

### 2 Kings 20:1-5

Hezekiah had 2 problems at the same time; both appeared to equate to impending \_\_\_\_\_.

### God's response to Hezekiah – 2 Kings 19:35-37

- We are a self-sufficient people and because of that during the good times we don't feel like we \_\_\_\_\_ Him as much. In the bad times we cry out to Him, and He uses that to \_\_\_\_\_ us towards Him.

James 1:2

“ Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance.”

God uses trials to:

- make us stronger.
- to show us that He is there for us.
- To show us He is strong enough to handle whatever is thrown our way.

God took out 185,000 men in one night for Hezekiah's sake. He is able to handle your problems too!

- Hezekiah's response to both his problems was \_\_\_\_\_.
- Our response to all our problems should be \_\_\_\_\_.

Psalm 34:15

“The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, And His ears are open to their cry.”

Prayer is an incredible tool we have at our disposal that we so often don't use or use as our last resort. When we don't make time to pray or use it as a last resort we are often interfering with what God can do and desires to do in our hearts and our situations.

Hezekiah cries out to the Lord for healing in a one-sentence, power-packed prayer!

- "Remember now, O Lord, I pray, how I have walked before You in truth and with a loyal heart, and have done what was good in Your sight."

His prayer for \_\_\_\_\_:

- Remember - - I **beseech** You.
- Then he **wept** bitterly. (Psalm 34:18)
  - This word in the original language *krazo* means to weep large in magnitude and in extent, in intensity, and loud.
  - Desperation can be a positive thing.

Beseech - *anna*  
*ah now! I/we beseech you*  
*oh now!, pray now!*  
participle of entreaty usually  
followed by the imperative verb

Hezekiah's prayer was short, but powerful. (2 Kings 20:3) Sometimes we think our prayers have to be long and eloquent. What Hezekiah's prayer powerful was that he based his prayer on God's word.

What is he asking God to remember - how I have walked before You:

- 1) in truth
- 2) with a perfect heart
- 3) done what is good in Your sight

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."

Our most powerful prayers are praying God's word, because God is going to respond to what He says.

**The Lord's response:**

1. I have \_\_\_\_\_ your prayer. I have \_\_\_\_\_ your tears.
2. **Behold** I **will** heal you; I **will** add to your life 15 years, and I **will** deliver you from the hand of the King of Assyria.

**Lessons from Hezekiah:**

- 1) Our response to our problems should always be \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2) When we \_\_\_\_\_ in God with all our heart and \_\_\_\_\_ His promise, then we can \_\_\_\_\_ on His promise.
- 3) When God does something on our behalf it is ultimately for His glory and His promise sake.

Isaiah 55:11

So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

**2 Kings 20:6-11 / 2 Chronicles 32:24-26**

James 4:6

But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."

There is **always** the danger of **pride**. -

**Proverbs tells us some of the problems with pride.**

Proverbs 11:2 - When pride comes, then comes **shame**; But with the humble is wisdom.

Proverbs 16:18 - Pride goes before **destruction**, And a haughty spirit before a fall.

Proverbs 29:23 - A man's pride will **bring him low**, But the humble in spirit will retain honor.

**Fill in the blank answers:** death, need, grow, prayer, prayer, healing, heard, seen, prayer, trust know, stand, always, pride