

due May 21, 2017

HORRORS!

**There Shall Be Peace and Truth in My Days (39:8)!
Isaiah 37:21-39:8**

Theme of Isaiah: Trust in the Holy One of Israel alone, for He only is salvation.

Isaiah Outline

- A. Words of **Judgment** 1-39
 - 1. Judgments of Israel and Judah (1-12).
 - 2. Judgment of Heathen Nations (13-23)
 - 3. God’s Purpose in Judgment (24-35)
- B. **Illustration** of theme of Isaiah—Hezekiah (36-39)
- C. Words of **Comfort** 40-66
 - 1. The future Release (40-48)
 - 2. The future Redeemer (49-57)
 - 3. The future Kingdom (58-66)

Monday (May 15)—prayerfully read and enjoy Isaiah 37:21-28.

Please emphasize in class time the questions marked with an asterisk (*), thanks.

1. Who is speaking to whom for whom about whom (37:21)?! _____

2. Who is shaking her head at whom (37:22).

3. Who was being reproached and blasphemed by Sennacherib (37:23-24)? _____
4. Who is taking credit for the defeat of Lebanon (“I will cut down the tall cedars” of Lebanon) and for drying up all the rivers of the besieged places (37:25-26)? _____
5. The LORD (speaking through Isaiah) says in verses 26-27 that He is the one who has done this (caused Sennacherib to be successful in his conquests, making these other inhabitants of small power); what (or whom) did the LORD also say was the object of Sennacherib’s rage (37:28)? _____
- *6. Sennacherib thought that he was being moved against his enemies by his rage against the LORD, when actually he also was being moved by the LORD’s invisible hand—this is called the sovereignty of God (“God’s invisible hand moved by His invincible arm working His

inexorable will”)—take this or another scriptural thought with you for the day!

Tuesday (May 16)—prayerfully read Isaiah 37:29-38, and then answer the questions.

1. The LORD is speaking through Isaiah in these verses (beginning at verse 21). To whom is the LORD (Isaiah) speaking in verse 29, and then to whom do you suppose He begins speaking in verse 30?

2. What will bring about the restoration of the house of Judah (37:31-32)? _____
3. Who will not come into this city (Jerusalem), nor even fight against it, but shall return the way he came (37:33-34)?

4. How many of the Assyrian soldiers were killed, and who killed them (37:36)? _____

(bonus) What were they when they arose early in the morning (verse 36, KJV)? _____
5. What was the end of Sennacherib (37:38-39)? _____

6. What two reasons does the LORD give for defending His people in verse 37 (and take this thought with you for the day)?

Wednesday (May 17)—prayerfully read Isaiah 38:1-8, and answer the following.

1. Who was sick unto death, and what did Isaiah tell him to do (38:1)?

2. What do you suppose it means to “set your house in order”?

3. To what two “things” did Hezekiah turn (38:2)?

4. What two things did the LORD say He would do for Hezekiah in response to his prayer and tears (38:5-6)? _____

5. What sign did the LORD give Hezekiah that what He had spoken would come to pass (38:7-8)? _____
6. Mediate today at least a little on 38:3, and take it with you for the day. Is it good for godly people to want to live longer?

Thursday (May 18) —**prayerfully** read Isaiah 38:9-15, and answer the following.

1. The remaining verses of this chapter appear to be Hezekiah's written record of his sickness and recovery. Verses 9-15 record his agonizings before deliverance. When did he write these things (38:9)? _____
2. Was Hezekiah relatively young when he became sick (support your answer) (38:10, 12)? _____
3. What two things would Hezekiah have missed out on if he had died prematurely (38:11)? _____
4. Describe Hezekiah's symptoms (38:12-14). _____
5. Who did Hezekiah see as being behind (causing) his sickness (38:15)? _____
6. Take a thought with you for the day from this section, perhaps the embedded prayer in verse 14.

Friday (May 19) —**prayerfully** read Isaiah 38:16-22, and answer the following.

1. The first verse of this section (v. 16) is difficult to understand (on initial KJV reading)—what do you suppose is the meaning of "by these things"? _____
2. What did Hezekiah need, along with physical healing (38:17)? _____

3. What two things did Hezekiah indicate he would do (presumably continue doing) if the LORD allowed him to live (which things he couldn't do if he died) (38:18-19)? _____
4. How did Hezekiah show his gratitude for the LORD's healing him (38:20)? _____
5. What medicine had Isaiah prescribed (38:21)? _____
6. What can you apply to your life from this section (and take it with you for the day, incorporating it)? _____

Saturday (May 20) —**prayerfully** read Isaiah 39:1-8, and answer the following.

1. Who sent letters and a present to Hezekiah (39:1)? _____
2. What didn't Hezekiah show his Babylonian visitors (39:1-4)? _____
3. What did Isaiah pronounce in judgment on Hezekiah for what he had done (39:5-7)? _____
4. Was Hezekiah glad for what he had just heard from Isaiah (39:8a)? _____
5. What infamous line did Hezekiah utter at this point in the story (38:8b)? _____
6. Do you have areas of your life where you are tempted to think this infamous line? Take with you for the day the prayer that you will never take this wrong position.

Sunday (May 21) —**prayerfully** review Isaiah 37:21-39:8.