

Judah's Kings Hezekiah Manasseh, and Amon

1. Carefully read through 2 Kings 20-21, 2 Chronicles 33, and Isaiah 38-39. Highlight with different colors the words spoken by different people. Underline in yellow each time the name of God is used. Underline in green each time a place is named. Underline in blue each time a person is named. Circle, underline, or color any other repeated phrases. What patterns do you notice? What differences do you notice between the accounts in Kings, Chronicles, and Isaiah?
2. Memorize 2 Chronicles 33:12-13, "And when he was in distress, he entreated the favor of the LORD his God and humbled himself greatly before the God of his fathers. He prayed to him, and God was moved by his entreaty and heard his plea and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. Then Manasseh knew that the LORD was God."
3. Create your own detailed outline of 2 Kings 20-21, 2 Chronicles 33, and Isaiah 38-39.
4. What does Hezekiah do when he gets sick? How does God respond to Hezekiah's prayer? Why? Do you think God intended to do this?
5. Why does Hezekiah ask for a sign? How might this relate to Isaiah 7:10-13?

6. What does Hezekiah say in Isaiah 38:9-20?

7. Why does Hezekiah welcome the officials from Babylon? Why does God allow him to do this? What does Isaiah predict?

8. How old is Manasseh when he becomes king? What does he do that is "evil in the sight of the LORD"? What do the prophets predict?

9. Where do the Assyrians bring Manasseh? What does he do while he is there? How does God respond? What does he do when he returns?

10. Does Amon follow his father's example? How does he die?

11. What can we learn from Hezekiah, Manasseh, and Amon?