

# Isaiah's Reality

WEEK 4

## Week 4 Handout

**Please read the following passages with your team and have them fill in the blanks:**

2 Kings 18 (Hezekiah Reigns Over Judah)

2 Kings 19 (Isaiah Reassures Hezekiah)

Hezekiah was king at this time when the king of Assyria, Sennacherib, attacked all the fortified cities of Judah and captured them. So, Hezekiah sent word to the king of Assyria and said he had done wrong and asked him to withdrawal from them. The king demanded payment from Hezekiah, so Hezekiah took silver from the Lord's temple and gold from the king's palace and gave it to the king. Then the king of Assyria sent word to Hezekiah asking him what he was relying on.

The people were basically mocking Hezekiah and God. The people of Judah did not respond to the king but obeyed Hezekiah's orders where to say nothing. When Hezekiah heard this news, he sought godly counsel from Isaiah the prophet. He then was confronted by another threat and what did Hezekiah do? He took it to the Lord in prayer! Laying out the threatening letter before the Lord in His temple, Isaiah came with God's answer of prayer for Hezekiah.

An angel of the Lord killed 185,000 people in the camp of the Assyrians. The king went back to his home and there he was killed by his own sons who by one took his kingship.