

INTRODUCTION

- * We are in our final stage (kings of the south) of our study of the Biblical history of Israel in the morning messages. Dr. Steve is leading an examination of the book of Ezra on Wednesday evenings and, Lord willing, will continue on through Nehemiah and Esther.
- * In our studies, we have seen the people of Judah riding a "roller-coaster" of leadership - between times of greatness and times of mediocrity at best.
- * Today, we come to one of the greatest kings of Judah. Yet, a king who was not permitted to be buried in the same tomb as the rest of the kings!
- * The account of the life of Uzziah is the foundation for an epic Greek tragedy - "The Rise and Fall of Uzziah the Great."

INSTRUCTION

I. THE R_____ OF UZZIAH (cf. 2 Chron 26:1-15, 22)

A. The A_____ to the Davidic T_____ (2 Chron 26:1-5)

1. HE WAS CHOSEN BY THE PEOPLE (v. 1-3)
2. HE WAS BLESSED BY THE LORD (v. 4-5; cf. Heb 11:6)

B. The E_____ of the Judean T_____ (2 Chron 26:6-8)

C. The I_____ to Warfare T_____ (2 Chron 26:9-15)

1. THE PROVISION OF E_____ FOR THE MILITIA (v. 11-14)
 - a. Arming the Militia
 - b. Preparing the Militia
3. THE INVENTION OF E_____ FOR THE MILITARY (v. 15)
 - a. The Description of the Invention
 - b. The Analysis of the Invention

II. THE F_____ OF UZZIAH (cf. 2 Chron 26:16-21, 23)

A. He Was C_____ By Pride (cf. 2 Chron 26:8,15,16-18; Isaiah 6:1)

B. He Was C_____ By YHWH (cf. 2 Chron 26:19-21,23)

1. THE AF_____ OF HIS FLESH (v. 19-20)
2. THE DE_____ OF HIS LEGACY (v. 21,23)

INTROSPECTION

- * WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THE ARMOR THAT YOUR KING HAS PROVIDED YOU?
- * ARE YOU DILIGENTLY SEEKING GOD?
- ARE YOU SEEKING HIS WISDOM FOR WAYS TO EXPAND HIS KINGDOM?
- * DO YOU FIGHT WITH A SENSE OF BEING BETTER THAN OTHERS?
- * ARE YOU SEEKING TO HAVE PEOPLE FOCUS ON YOU ... OR ON GOD?
- * IS THERE A NEED TO "CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK" ... AND, THEREFORE, ACT?