

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LESSONS

THIRD QUARTER: STUDIES IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

LESSON I. Sennacherib's Invasion

[July 2]

GOLDEN TEXT. With us is the Lord our God to help us, and to fight our battles. 2 Chron. 32. 8.

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[The entire chapter should be studied. Read Isa. chapters 36, 37.]

2 Chron. 32. 9-23 [Commit to memory verses 19-21]

9 After this did Sen-nach-e-rib king of Assyria send his servants to Je-ru'-sa-lem, (but he himself laid siege against La'chish, and all his power with him,) unto Hez-e-ki'ah king of Judah, and unto all Ju'dah that were at Je-ru'-sa-lem, saying,

10 Thus saith Sen-nach-e-rib king of Assyria, Whereon do ye trust, that ye abide in the siege in Je-ru'-sa-lem?

11 Doth not Hez-e-ki'ah persuade you to give over yourselves to die by famine and by thirst, saying, The Lord our God shall deliver us out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

12 Hath not the same Hez-e-ki'ah taken away his high places and his altars, and commanded Ju'dah and Je-ru'-sa-lem, saying, Ye shall worship before one altar, and burn incense upon it?

13 Know ye not what I and my fathers have done unto all the people of other lands? were the gods of the nations of those lands any ways able to deliver their lands out of mine hand?

14 Who was there among all the gods of those nations that my fathers utterly destroyed, that could deliver his people out of mine hand, that your God should be able to deliver you out of mine hand?

15 Now therefore let not Hez-e-ki'ah deceive you, nor persuade you on this manner, neither yet believe him: for no god of any nation or kingdom was able to deliver his people out of mine hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much less shall your God deliver you out of mine hand?

16 And his servants spake yet more against the Lord God, and against his servant Hez-e-ki'ah.

17 He wrote also letters to rail on the Lord God of Israel, and to speak against him, saying, As the gods of the nations of other lands have not delivered their people out of mine hand, so shall not the God of Hez-e-ki'ah deliver his people out of mine hand.

18 Then they cried with a loud voice in the Jews' speech unto the people of Je-ru'-sa-lem that were on the wall, to affright them, and to trouble them; that they might take the city.

19 And they spake against the God of Je-ru'-sa-lem, as against the gods of the people of the

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9. After this did Sennacherib, king of Assyria, send his servants to Jerusalem (now he was before Lachish, and all his power with him), unto Hezekiah king of Judah, and unto all Judah that were at Jerusalem, saying, 10 Thus saith Sennacherib king of Assyria, Whereon do ye trust, that ye abide the siege in Jerusalem?

11 Doth not Hezekiah persuade you, to give you over to die by famine and by thirst, saying, Jehovah our God will deliver us out of the hand of the king of Assyria? 12 Hath not the same Hezekiah taken away his high places and his altars, and commanded Judah and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall worship before one altar, and upon it shall ye burn incense? 13 Know ye not what I and my fathers have done unto all the peoples of the lands? Were the gods of the nations of the lands in any wise able to deliver their land out of my hand? 14 Who was there among all the gods of those nations which my fathers utterly destroyed, that could deliver his people out of my hand, that your God should be able to deliver you out of my hand? 15 Now therefore let not Hezekiah deceive you, nor persuade you after this manner, neither believe ye him: for no god of any nation or kingdom was able to deliver his people out of my hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much less shall your God deliver you out of my hand?

16 And his servants spake yet more against Jehovah God, and against his servant Hezekiah. 17 He wrote also letters, to rail on Jehovah, the God of Israel, and to speak against him, saying, As the gods of the nations of the lands, which have not delivered their people out of my hand, so shall not the God of Hezekiah deliver his people out of my hand. 18 And they cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language unto the people of Jerusalem that were on the wall, to affright them, and to trouble them; that they might take the city. 19 And they spake of the God of Jerusalem, as of the gods of the peoples of the earth, such are the works of men's hands.

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