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- II. Now go to the record of King Hezekiah in the book of Kings. Read [2 Kings 18:1-8](#). How is Hezekiah memorialized? What good points of his reign are listed? What do you perceive was the "secret of his success"? Could you imagine how a president like this would come across in America today? How would he be perceived by the public? How was Hezekiah's life fortified by his convictions about who God is? ([2 Kings 19:15,19](#))

- III. Perhaps the only downfall of Hezekiah was his son. Read [2 Kings 21:1-9,16](#). In contrast to Hezekiah, what are the sins of Manasseh? Be specific. How is it possible for a father to be so noble and God fearing and then for his son to be such a scoundrel? Can you give any other examples of this father-son contrast in the Old Testament?

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