

Friday, June 28 Read [2 Kings 18-20](#)

Like Isaiah 38-39, 2 Kings 18-20 tells the story of how God intervenes to save the Southern Kingdom from the attacking Assyrians. Notice here too Isaiah's ministry as an intermediary between God and Judah. God uses him to fortify the faith of Hezekiah and the people. Likewise, Isaiah intervenes on Hezekiah's behalf when his health is in jeopardy.

Pray for Our Missionaries

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Be the CHURCH is DISCIPLESHIP

Spiritual Disciplines Guide:

- *Invite the Holy Spirit to guide your reading each day.*
- *Read the chapters and underline any meaningful verses and take note of specific advice or wisdom gleaned from your reading.*
- *Note any unclear passages or teaching and seek insight, answers or help.*
- *Think about what you're reading. Ask:*
 1. *How does this apply to me?*
 2. *Are there any temptations to avoid, sins to confess, commands to obey or promises to claim?*
 3. *What insight do I gain on God, myself, others, or life?*
- *Ask God to show you any specific action you need to take as you read.*

This week we round out the first half of Isaiah, dealing mainly with the exhortations of the prophet to Israel and Judah to turn away from idolatry and turn back to God. Chapters 36-39 include a kind of historic interlude into Isaiah's book, giving further details into the premier king of the day, Hezekiah, during the years that Isaiah prophesied. For that reason, we'll take a couple days to read more detail about King Hezekiah in 2 Kings and 2 Chronicles.

Monday, June 24 Read [Isaiah 34-35](#)

Exhortations:

Promises:

The Nature of God:

Pray for: —My relationship with God
—My life roles
—My personal needs/weak areas
—My goals and objectives for the summer

Tuesday, June 25: Read [*Isaiah 36-37*](#)

Take note of Hezekiah's challenge here. Assyria has just sacked the Northern Kingdom. Now they move into position to take over Judah as well. It is a classic example of "the test of faith". Who will I believe, God or the opposition?

Notes:

Tuesday: Pray for Family and Friends by Name.

Wednesday June 26: Read [*Isaiah 38-39*](#)

The narrative now turns from a national crisis to a personal one. God has shown himself faithful and powerful to the nation, will he likewise deliver Isaiah from a personal health crisis? Isaiah intervenes and God extends his life even though God reveals that the nation will eventually fall by the Babylonians.

Notes:

Wednesday: Pray for Bethel Gilead Community Church

1. Leadership: Pray for God's grace and guidance in Pastor Jim and Pastor David's ministries and families. Pray for Linda Penn in her work at BGCC. Pray for the church council and the various ministry team leaders. Ask the Lord of the harvest to raise up more workers for the harvest ([*Matthew 9:38*](#))
2. Worship: Ask God to strengthen our devotion to Him, in prayer, praise and thanksgiving. Pray for more musicians to help lead the church in worship. Pray for the development of a youth praise team.
3. Fellowship: Pray that God would deepen our love and commitment to one another as a family of believers. Pray that we incorporate newcomers into our church fellowship.
4. Discipleship: Ask God to develop the faith, dedication, and leadership of our people. Pray for the children and youth ministries at BGCC. Ask God to bless our small group ministry, to raise up new groups, new teachers and more leaders.
5. Outreach: Pray that God will use Bethel Gilead to make a positive impact on our community so that many would come to Christ. Ask God to embolden our people to intentionally reach out to others, especially through the Kingdom Initiative.
6. Future Faith Goals: Ask God to give our congregation a united vision for the future. Pray for God's clear leading in our 2020 plan as we call our members to a greater love and commitment to the Lord and his service. Ask God to bless our finances so that we can better accomplish his purposes for our congregation.

Thursday, June 27: Read [*2 Chronicles 29-31*](#)

There were two primary revivals in the Southern Kingdom of Judah during its 300 plus years of existence. One was under King Josiah, the other under King Hezekiah. Read carefully this account of how God opened the hearts of the people to renew their love and commitment to him. Could something similar happen in America in our generation? What would it take to bring our nation to it's knees before God?

Thursday Pray for "My World"

(Write down names as God brings people to mind.)

- Neighbors • People who live around me. (Focus Four)
- People at Work • Others God brings into my life. Take note of specific needs around you and ask God what he wants you to do to help. Who can you invite to church this Sunday?
- Community -- Ask God to bring revival and a spiritual awakening to Branch County. Pray for the area churches and a greater spirit of unity and cooperation.
- America -- Continue to pray for the nation, our national leaders and a revival in America.