# 2 Chronicles 32:24-33 Hezekiah – His sickness, Wealth & Honor, Death

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- 25 But Hezekiah did not repay according to the favor shown him, for his heart was lifted up; therefore wrath was looming over him and over Judah and Jerusalem.
- 26 Then Hezekiah humbled himself for the pride of his heart, he and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the wrath of Yahweh (the Lord) did not come upon them in the days of Hezekiah.

Hezekiah's Wealth and Honor (2 Kings 20:12-21; Isaiah 39:1)

- 27 Hezekiah had very great riches and honor. And he made himself treasuries for silver, for gold, for precious stones, for spices, for shields, and for all kinds of desirable items;
- 28 storehouses for the harvest of grain, wine, and oil; and stalls for all kinds of livestock, and folds for flocks.
- <sup>29</sup> Moreover he provided cities for himself, and possessions of flocks and herds in abundance; for Elohiym (God) had given him very much property.
- 30 This same Hezekiah also stopped the water outlet of Upper Gihon, and brought the water by tunnel to the west side of the City of David. Hezekiah prospered in all his works.
- 31 However, regarding the ambassadors of the princes of Babylon, whom they sent to him to inquire about the wonder that was done in the land, Elohiym (God) withdrew from him, in order to test him, that He might know all that was in his heart.

#### Death of Hezekiah

- 32 Now the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and his goodness, indeed they are written in the vision of Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, and in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.
- 33 So Hezekiah rested with his fathers, and they buried him in the upper tombs of the sons of David; and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem honored him at his death. Then Manasseh his son reigned in his place.

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## Facts Revealed:

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- ♦ Hezekiah was sick and near death, Isaiah came and spoke in the name of Yahweh telling him to set his house in order for he would die and not live. [Isaiah 38:1, 2 Kings 20:1]
- → Hezekiah wept bitterly and prayed to remind Yahweh of all the things he had done walking before Yahweh with a loyal heart. [Isaiah 38:2-3, 2 Kings 20:2-3]
- ♦ Yahweh heard his prayer, saw his tears, and promised to heal the sickness in three days, extend his life 15 years, and deliver Hezekiah and Jerusalem from the king of Assyria, defending the city for Yahweh's own sake and the sake of David. [2 Kings 20:4-6, Isaiah 38:4-6]
- → The sign given was that the shadow on the sundial went backward ten degrees. [2 Kings 20:8-11, Isaiah 38:7-8]
- ♦ Thus Yahweh (the Lord) saved Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem from the hand of Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of all others, and guided them on every side. [2 Chronicles 32:22]
- ♦ And many brought gifts to Yahweh (the Lord) at Jerusalem, and presents to Hezekiah king of Judah, so that he was exalted in the sight of all nations thereafter. [2 Chronicles 32:23]
- → Being exalted in the sight of all nations was the prideful downfall of Hezekiah king of Judah. [2 Chronicles 32:24-26]
- ♦ Because Hezekiah humbled himself, the wrath of Yahweh did not come upon them in the days of Hezekiah.

## Hezekiah's Wealth and Honor

- (2 Kings 20:12-21; Isaiah 39:1)
  - ♦ Hezekiah's wealth is described. [2 Chronicles 32:27-30]
  - ➡ However, regarding the ambassadors of the princes of Babylon, whom they sent to him to inquire about the wonder that was done in the land, Elohiym (God) withdrew from him, in order to test him, that He might know all that was in his heart. [2 Chronicles 32:31, Isaiah 39:1-8, 2 Kings 20:12-19]
    - ♦ Yahweh does allow His people to be tested.

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  - ♦ Hezekiah's life was extended 15 years. [2 Kings 20:4-6, Isaiah 38:4-6]
  - ♦ Manasseh was born three years after the extension was granted. [2 Kings 21:1-2, 2 Chronicles 33:1-2]
  - ❖ From a godly king back to a vile king. The extension of Hezekiah's life turned into a curse. When the time comes for Yahweh to punish a wicked society, He puts in place a wicked leader to set the stage for judgment and wrath.