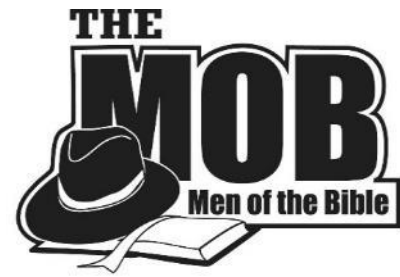


# WELCOME TO THE MOB!

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

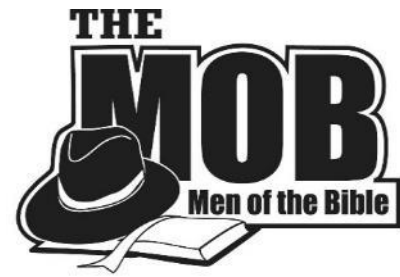
2 Timothy 3:16-17 (ESV)

# Announcements



- **MOB Website & Resources:** [www.ibcmob.net](http://www.ibcmob.net)
- **Assist Crisis Pregnancy Walk/Run/Ride – Saturday, May 13, sign up at:** <https://runsignup.com/WRRforLife>
- **Men's Summer Sundaes Series**
  - **Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> – Speaker is Jonathan Alexandre of Liberty Counsel**
  - **Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> – Speaker is Janet Parshall who is a nationally syndicated radio talk show host - open to spouses**
  - **Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> – Speaker is retired Navy Vice Admiral Scott Redd who was the first Senate-confirmed Director of the National Counterterrorism Center serving from 2005 until 2007.**

# Please Rise



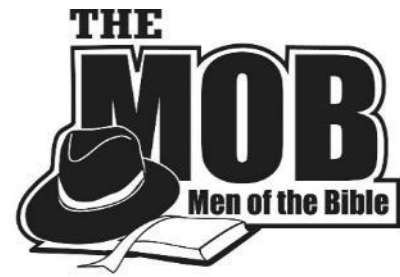
- **Invocation/Prayer.**

- **Song:**

***“Lead On O King Eternal”***

# Lead On O King Eternal

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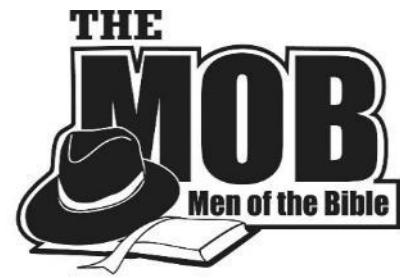


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Lead on, O King eternal,  
the day of march has come;  
henceforth in fields of conquest  
your tents will be our home.  
Through days of preparation  
your grace has made us strong;  
and now, O King eternal,  
we lift our battle song.

# Lead On O King Eternal

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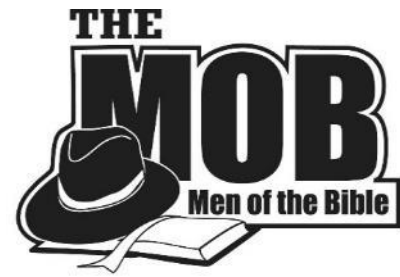


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Lead on, O King eternal,  
till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
and holiness shall whisper  
the sweet amen of peace.  
For not with swords' loud clashing  
or roll of stirring drums  
with deeds of love and mercy  
the heavenly kingdom comes.

# Lead On O King Eternal

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Lead on, O King eternal;  
we follow, not with fears,  
for gladness breaks like morning  
where'er your face appears.  
Your cross is lifted o'er us,  
we journey in its light;  
the crown awaits the conquest;  
lead on, O God of might.

# Memory Verse

## Isaiah 37:15-16 (ESV)

And Hezekiah prayed to the Lord: “O Lord of hosts, God of Israel, enthroned above the cherubim, you are the God, you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; you have made heaven and earth.”

# Our Study of Isaiah

## Last Meeting:

- **Isaiah 36 - Sennacherib Invades Judah**
- **Memory Verse: Proverbs 21:1**
- ***Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.227-233; Motyer, pp.276-279.***

## This Meeting:

- **Isaiah 37, Hezekiah's Distress and Prayer; Assyrians Struck Down**
- **Memory Verse: Isaiah 37:15-16**
- ***Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.233-240; Motyer, pp.279-286.***
- **Refreshment Host: Small Group C**



# Isaiah Bible Study Schedule for Fall 2022 – Spring 2023

*as of December 30, 2022*

#	DATE:	THE BOOK OF ISAIAH – READINGS & TOPICS	HOST SM GRP
<b>28</b>	<b>APR 11</b>	Isaiah 35 The Ransomed Shall Return Constable's Notes, pp. 223 - 227, Motyer, pp. 272 - 275	<b>A</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>APR 18</b>	Isaiah 36 Sennacherib Invades Judah Constable's Notes, pp. 227 - 233, Motyer, pp. 276 - 279	<b>B</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>APR 25</b>	Isaiah 37 Hezekiah's Distress & Prayer, Assyrian's Struck Down Constable, pp. 233 - 240, Motyer, pp. 279 - 286	<b>C</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>MAY 2</b>	Isaiah 38 Hezekiah's Sickness and Recovery Constable's Notes, pp. 240 - 246, Motyer, pp. 289 - 295	<b>D</b>
<b>32</b>	<b>MAY 9</b>	Isaiah 39 Hezekiah Welcomes Babylonian Envoy Constable's Notes, pp. 246 - 251, Motyer, pp. 295 - 297	<b>E</b>
<b>33</b>	<b>MAY 16</b>	Isaiah 1-39 Review, Lessons Learned, Testimonies Constable's Notes, pp. 1 - 251, Motyer, pp. 13 - 297	
<b>34</b>	<b>MAY 23</b>	Isaiah 40-66 Introduction and Overview Constable's Notes, pp. 251 - 493	<b>F</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>MAY 30</b>	<b>MAKE-UP SESSION</b>	



# Isaiah Outline

Focus	Prophecies of Condemnation								Historical Parenthesis		Prophecies of Comfort					
	1:1				35:10				36:1	39:8	40:1			66:24		
Divisions	Prophecies Against Judah		Prophecies Against the Nations		Prophecies Against the Day of the Lord		Prophecies of Judgement and Blessing		Sickness and Sin	Hezekiah's Salvation	Israel's Deliverance	Israel's Deliverer	Israel's Glorious Future			
	1:1	12:6	13:1	23:18	24:1	27:13	28:1	35:10	36:1	39:8	40:1	48:22	49:1	57:21	58:1	66:24
Topics	Prophetic Judgement								Historic Transition		Messianic Hope					
Place	Israel & Judah															
Time	740 - 680 B.C.															

**We are here!**



# Lesson Overview

## Isaiah Chapter 37

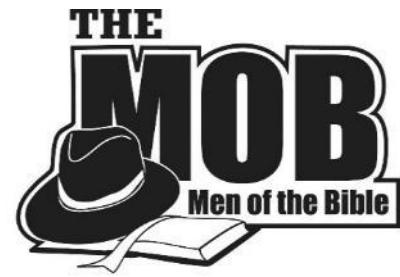
### **37:1-38**

- Hezekiah’s recognition of being in need (1-7)
- Another round of Assyrian taunting (8-13)
- Hezekiah’s God-focused prayer (14-20),
- God’s response – Assyria will be turned back (21-35)
- Assyrians struck down and Sennacherib’s Fall (36-38)



# Recap

## Isaiah Chapter 36

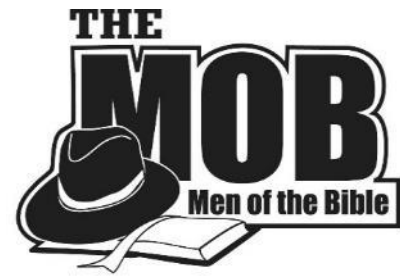


Then the Rabshakeh stood and called out in a loud voice in the language of Judah: “Hear the words of the great king, the king of Assyria! <sup>14</sup> Thus says the king: ‘Do not let **Hezekiah deceive** you, for he will **not be able to deliver** you. <sup>15</sup> Do not let **Hezekiah make you trust in the Lord** by saying, “The Lord will surely deliver us. This city will not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria.” <sup>16</sup> **Do not listen to Hezekiah.** For thus says the king of Assyria: Make your peace with me and come out to me. Then each one of you will eat of his own vine.... <sup>18</sup> **Beware lest Hezekiah mislead you by saying, “The Lord will deliver us.”** Has any of the gods of the nations delivered his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?



# Isaiah 37:5-7

## Hezekiah's Response



<sup>5</sup>When the servants of King Hezekiah came to Isaiah, <sup>6</sup>Isaiah said to them, “Say to your master, ‘Thus says the Lord: Do not be afraid because of the words that you have heard, with which the young men of the king of Assyria have reviled me. <sup>7</sup>Behold, I will put a spirit in him, so that he shall hear a rumor and return to his own land, and I will make him fall by the sword in his own land.’ ”

# Isaiah 37:8-13

## Assyrian Taunting...Again

<sup>8</sup>The Rabshakeh returned, and found the king of Assyria fighting against Libnah, for he had heard that the king had left Lachish. <sup>9</sup>Now the king heard concerning Tirhakah king of Cush, “He has set out to fight against you.” And when he heard it, he sent messengers to Hezekiah, saying, <sup>10</sup>“Thus shall you speak to Hezekiah king of Judah: ‘Do not let your God in whom you trust deceive you by promising that Jerusalem will not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria.



# Isaiah 37:8-13

## Assyrian Taunting...Again

<sup>11</sup>Behold, you have heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands, devoting them to destruction. And shall you be delivered?

<sup>12</sup>Have the gods of the nations delivered them, the nations that my fathers destroyed, Gozan, Haran, Rezeph, and the people of Eden who were in Telassar?

<sup>13</sup>Where is the king of Hamath, the king of Arpad, the king of the city of Sepharvaim, the king of Hena, or the king of Ivvah?’ ”



# Isaiah 37:14-20

## Hezekiah's Prayer

<sup>14</sup> Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it; and Hezekiah went up to the house of the Lord, and spread it before the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And Hezekiah prayed to the Lord: <sup>16</sup> “O Lord of hosts, God of Israel, enthroned above the cherubim, you are the God, you alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; you have made heaven and earth. <sup>17</sup> Incline your ear, O Lord, and hear; open your eyes, O Lord, and see; and hear all the words of Sennacherib, which he has sent to mock the living God. <sup>18</sup> Truly, O Lord, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the nations and their lands, <sup>19</sup> and have cast their gods into the fire. For they were no gods, but the work of men’s hands, wood and stone. Therefore they were destroyed. <sup>20</sup> So now, O Lord our God, save us from his hand, that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that you alone are the Lord.”

# Isaiah 37:14-20

## Hezekiah's Prayer

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- The only God
- Sovereign over all kingdoms
- God as the creator
- Hear...see...hear
- Living God
- Not the work of men’s hands
- For God’s glory

# Spiritual Disciplines

## Prayer

When there is little awareness of real need, there is little real prayer. Some circumstances drive us to our knees. But there are periods when life seems quite manageable. Although Jesus said, “Apart from me you can do nothing” (John 15:5), this truth hits home more forcefully at some times than at others. In pride and self-sufficiency we may live for days as though prayer were needed only when something comes along that’s too big for us to handle on our own. Until we see the danger and foolishness of this attitude, God’s expectation for us to pray may seem irrelevant.

- *Spiritual Disciplines for the Christian Life, Donald S. Whitney*

# Isaiah 37:21-22

## God's Response

<sup>21</sup>Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, “Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Because you have prayed to me concerning Sennacherib king of Assyria,

<sup>22</sup>this is the word that the Lord has spoken concerning him:  
“ ‘She despises you, she scorns you— the virgin daughter of Zion; she wags her head behind you— the daughter of Jerusalem.

# Isaiah 37:26-29

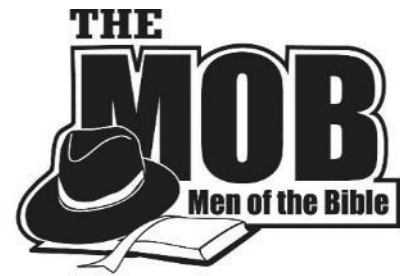
## God's Response

<sup>26</sup>“ ‘Have you not heard that I determined it long ago? I planned from days of old what now I bring to pass, that you should make fortified cities crash into heaps of ruins,

<sup>27</sup>while their inhabitants, shorn of strength, are dismayed and confounded .... <sup>28</sup>“ ‘I know your sitting down and your going out and coming in, and your raging against me. <sup>29</sup>Because you have raged against me and your complacency has come to my ears, I will put my hook in your nose and my bit in your mouth, and I will turn you back on the way by which you came.’

# Isaiah 37:30-35

## God's Response



<sup>30</sup>“And this shall be the sign for you: this year you shall eat what grows of itself, and in the second year what springs from that. Then in the third year sow and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat their fruit. <sup>31</sup>And the surviving remnant of the house of Judah shall again take root downward and bear fruit upward. <sup>32</sup>For out of Jerusalem shall go a remnant, and out of Mount Zion a band of survivors. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this. <sup>33</sup>“Therefore thus says the Lord concerning the king of Assyria: He shall not come into this city or shoot an arrow there or come before it with a shield or cast up a siege mound against it. <sup>34</sup>By the way that he came, by the same he shall return, and he shall not come into this city, declares the Lord. <sup>35</sup>For I will defend this city to save it, for my own sake and for the sake of my servant David.”



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## Isaiah 37:30

**“And this shall be the sign for you”**



The faithful Sovereign. Lest anyone should think that the Assyrian withdrawal was no more than a happy chance, Isaiah adds a *sign*. For two years normal agriculture would be impossible, yet the land would of itself produce enough for the people until *in the third year* tillage could be resumed.

J. A. Motyer, [\*The Prophecy of Isaiah: An Introduction & Commentary\*](#) (Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press, 1996), 283.

# Isaiah 37:36-38

## Assyrians Struck Down

<sup>36</sup>And the angel of the Lord went out and struck down 185,000 in the camp of the Assyrians. And when people arose early in the morning, behold, these were all dead bodies. <sup>37</sup>Then Sennacherib king of Assyria departed and returned home and lived at Nineveh. <sup>38</sup>And as he was worshiping in the house of Nisroch his god, Adrammelech and Sharezer, his sons, struck him down with the sword. And after they escaped into the land of Ararat, Esarhaddon his son reigned in his place.





# Conclusion

- Do not wait until you are “in need” to come to your heavenly Father in prayer. Colossians 4:2 (NIV) Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.
- Our God is a saving God – He will be glorified!

# Conclusion

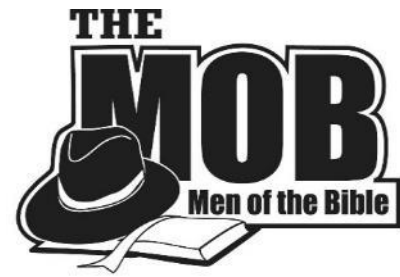
The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. Psalm 18:2

The salvation of the righteous is from the LORD; he is their stronghold in the time of trouble. The LORD helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him. Psalm 37:39-40

# Next Meeting – May 2

- **Review:**
- **Isaiah 37, Hezekiah's Distress and Prayer; Assyrians Struck Down**
- **Memory Verse: Isaiah 37:15-16**
- ***Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.233-240; Motyer, pp.279-286.***
  
- **Study:**
- **Isaiah 38 – Hezekiah's Sickness and Recovery**
- **Memory Verse: Isaiah 38:17**
- ***Dr. Constable's Notes, 2022 Ed., pp.240-246; Motyer, pp. 289-295***
- **Refreshment Host: Group D**

# Discussion & Application



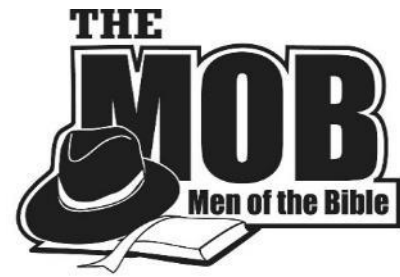
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- What is Hezekiah's response to Judah's situation at the beginning of this chapter in verses 1 and 2? How does it compare to his reaction in verses 14 and following?
- What are your takeaways from Hezekiah's prayer in verses 14-20? Do you see elements in his prayer that you could apply in your prayer life?
- What is the sign that is given by God in verse 30?
- What irony do you see in Sennacherib's method of demise?
- Where had Isaiah already promised Jerusalem's delivery from Assyria? (Hint – look in chapters 14 and 31.)

# Closing

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- **Benediction**
- **Small Groups**

