

What is to Love About Hezekiah? 2 Chronicles 29-32

2 Chr. compared to 2 Kings 18-20 - Story of Sennacherib shortened, illness story shortened, opening storehouses to Babylon story shortened.

Much more emphasis on restoring the temple, priest and Levite organization, and Passover restored

I did not like Hezekiah because of 2 Kings 20:19. Also all the sickness whining with the ask of the greater degree of difficulty miracle.

So in reading 2 Chr. 29-32, what do we find to love about King Hezekiah?

1. Unlike his father, he was one of the good ones. 2 Chr. 29:2 cf. 28:3, 24
2. His charge to “Get out the filth.” 2 Chr. 29:5 cf. Josh. 7:11-12, Achan’s sin; Mt. 21:12-13, Jesus cleanses temple.
3. He invited all “From Dan to Beersheba.” 2 Chr. 30:5, 10. This phrase is used 6 times in scripture but only once (here) after the days of Solomon’s united kingdom.
4. He knew the character of God. 2 Chr. 30:9 cf. 1 Kings 8:33-34
5. He was not discouraged nor defeated by the mockers 2 Chr. 30:10-13 cf. 30:26, “There was nothing like it since the days of Solomon.”
6. He prayed for the unsanctified worshipers, understanding the importance of the intentions of the heart. 2 Chr. 30:18-19
7. His full of faith battle speech 2 Chr. 32:7-8 cf. Is 36:8