

THE PLAN

21. The Invasion
(2 Kings 17-19)
January 30, 2022

Story Coordinates (2 Kings 17:1-6, 18:1)

People (Who is the story about?)

Place (Where is their home?)

Presence (How can they meet with God?)

Purpose (What did God tell them to do?)

(2 Kings 17:7-18)

The Story (2 Kings 18-19)

- Hezekiah _____ God and tore down the _____
_____. (18:3-7)
- As Hezekiah grew stronger, he decided to _____
the Assyrian Empire. (18:7, 2 Chronicles 30:1)
- The Assyrians conquered _____ and laid _____
to Jerusalem. (18:13)

- The Assyrians tried to make Hezekiah _____ God's plan,
but Isaiah told him to _____ God. (18:19-19:11)

- Hezekiah asked God to _____ Jerusalem for the sake
of his plan to _____ the nations. (19:14-19)

- God heard Hezekiah's prayer and _____ Jerusalem
from the Assyrians. (19:20-37)

The Morals

- Even when we follow God's plan, we may still find ourselves
under _____.
- In those moments it is easy to _____ God's plan and
choose our own plan instead.
- If we trust in God in those hard times, he is faithful to fulfill
_____ in our lives.

Spoiler Alert

- When we choose to follow Jesus, we join a _____ that will
never be _____. (Matthew 16:15-18)

Small Group Questions

1. Getting Started:

- What did you find most interesting about the sermon this week? The most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling?

- Have you ever been in a situation where you felt like you were under siege? What happened?

2. Into the Bible (Matthew 11:1-11)

- John the Baptist had more reason than anyone to believe that Jesus was the messiah. Why do you think he had this moment of doubt?

- What do the miracles of Jesus listed in v. 5 show about Jesus? How do they answer John's question?

- What is Jesus' encouragement in verse 6 for John? What does the call him to do in response to Jesus' miracles?

- How does Jesus talk about John after his moment of doubt? Based on v. 7-11, does Jesus think any worse of John?

3. Going Deeper

- What kind of situations make it hardest to trust or follow God? Where are we most tempted to go our own way?

- Hezekiah face the decision of listening to the Assyrian king or listening to Isaiah. How do we know who to listen to in this day and age?

- How can God use our own sieges to fulfill his plan to reach people around us?

4. Prayer

- Pray for each other as you face sieges in your own lives, that God would use you to show his goodness to the world.