

THE STORY

Sermon Outline
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The Beginning of the End

Chapter 16
2 Kings 17:6-15

Important storylines from Chapter 16

1) The Northern Kingdom's _____.

God sent 9 prophets to the northern kingdom over a span of 208 years and yet the people refused to listen or follow.

**God's intent is to _____,
not to _____.**

2 Peter 3:9 - The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

**God wants _____ not _____
to govern our relationship with Him.**

Deuteronomy 6:4-5 - Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.

2) King Hezekiah's holiness and _____.

2 Kings 18:5-7a - Hezekiah trusted in the Lord, the God of Israel. There was no one like him among all the kings of Judah, either before him or after him. He held fast to the Lord and did not stop following him; he kept the commands the Lord had given Moses. And the Lord was with him; he was successful in whatever he undertook.

**We want God's blessing but on _____
terms rather than _____.**

2 Kings 19:14-16 - Hezekiah received the letter from the messengers and read it. Then he went up to the temple of the Lord and spread it out before the Lord. And Hezekiah prayed to the Lord: "Lord, the God of Israel, enthroned between the cherubim, you alone are God over all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth. Give ear, Lord, and hear; open your eyes, Lord, and see; listen to the words Sennacherib has sent to ridicule the living God."

3) Isaiah's preview of God's _____.

- **Things are going to get _____
before they get better.**
Isaiah 45
- **There's a plan for a better _____.**
Isaiah 7 & 9
- **This king will be the decisive
demonstration of God's _____.**
Isaiah 53

Chapter 16 take-a-ways:

1) God always keeps His _____.

2) Make Jesus your _____.