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A. The King's Illness (2 Kings 20:1-6; 2 Chron. 32:24-26; Isa. 38:1-22)

1. With all the trials that Hezekiah had to deal with regarding the Assyrians, he had the additional _____ and struggle with _____ problems.

2. Hezekiah's terminal diagnosis was given to him by none other than the _____, through Isaiah the prophet. (2 Kings 20:1; Isa. 38:1)

* Despite the divine diagnosis, what made all the difference in the outcome?
(2 Kings 20:2-3; Isa. 38:2-3)

3. Before Isaiah had left the king's court, he received word from the Lord (2 Kings 20:4-6; Isa. 38:5-6) ...

a. He had _____ Hezekiah's prayer, and had _____ his tears.

b. He would _____ him from his physical affliction.

c. He would add _____ to Hezekiah's life.

d. He would _____ him entirely from the Assyrians.

e. He would give him a _____ regarding the healing.

* How do we explain this reversal of predicated events when there are verses that teach that God does not change His mind?

B. The King's Recovery (2 Kings 20:7-11; Isaiah 38:7-8)

1. Isaiah the prophet instructed others to take a lump of figs and lay it on the _____ as a _____, and Hezekiah recovered. (2 Kings 20:7; Isa. 38:21)
2. The Lord graciously _____ a miraculous _____ that He would accomplish all that He had said. (2 King 20:8-11; Isa. 38:7-8)

IX. HEZEKIAH'S WEALTH

A. The King's Riches and Prosperity (2 Chronicles 32:22-23, 27-30)

1. Ultimately it was the Lord who caused the _____ growth in Hezekiah's life, and blessed him _____. (Chron. 32:22-23, 27-30)
2. The Lord _____ from Hezekiah in order to _____ him, and reveal what was in his heart. (2 Chron. 32:31)

B. The King's Boasting to Babylon (2 Kings 20:12-19; Isaiah 39:1-8)

1. Hezekiah naively took the Babylonian entourage on a vainglorious tour of _____ his _____, driven by his own _____. (2 Kings 20:12-13; Isa. 39:1-2)
2. Isaiah essentially rebuked the king for his _____, and then predicted the future _____ of the Babylonian invasion and captivity. (2 Kings 20:14-19; Isa. 39:3-8)

* What have you learned from the life of this godly king?