

As Long as He Sought the Lord...

Main Scripture: 2nd Chronicles 26:1-23

Additional Scriptures: Psalm 8:1-4, James 4:6, 10, Psalm 7:12, Psalm 34:10

Hearing: Discussion Questions

- **Read 2nd Chronicles 26:3-5.** Uzziah was King, so he was given a council due to the nature of his position. As an American in an individualized society, we don't have this honor... we have to search it out. Who is in your life who is instructing you in the fear of God? What do you think that means?
 - How much time do you think you would have to spend with someone before they really understood how to fear the Lord?
 - Is anyone spending that much time with you? Are you spending that much time discipling someone else? Why not?
- 2nd Chronicles 26:5 says "as long as he sought the Lord, God gave him success." Do you agree with that? What happens when you have a friend who has had a bad month, year, or even couple of years (and they have done everything right in regards to seeking the Lord). How do you respond to someone in that situation?
- "God doesn't use professionals. He uses amateurs. He uses the least likely candidates." What is God looking for in someone then? What qualities of a disciple should we strive to cultivate?
 - How do we keep from becoming "a professional" of our faith?
- "Proud people will not seek and seekers [of God] will not become proud... pride is the anti-God state of mind." Where do you struggle with pride in your life? How is that keeping you from fully seeking the Lord?
- **Read 2nd Chronicles 26:6-18.** Uzziah was a King of many feats and accomplishments, but his pride eventually led to his downfall. What feats or accomplishments in your life are potential stumbling blocks for your humility? Do you invest a lot of who you are into what you have done?
 - What is the Biblical way to counter that?
- What are some ways to gauge our own pride to ensure it's in check?

Doing: Application

- "You can tell how prideful you are by the reaction you have when people start to treat you like a servant, forget to call you back, look down on you, etc." Take time this week and really assess your reactions to when people treat you like a servant or completely disregard you. Is it that of a servant? Ask the Lord to transform your heart more and more into a servant's heart this week!