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Judah, and "wrought that which was good and right and truth before the LORD his God.

21 And in every work that he began in the service of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek his God, he^b did it with all his heart, and 'prospered.'

CHAPTER XXXII.

1 Sennacherib invading Judah, Hezekiah fortifeth himself, and en-conrageth the people. 9 Against the blasphemies of Sennacherib, by message and letters, Hezekiah and Isaiah prày. 21 An angel destroyeth the host of the Assyrians, to the glory of Hezekiah. 24 Hezekiah pray-ing in his sickness, God giveth him a sign of recovery. 25 He waxing proud is humbled by God. 27 His riches and works. 31 His error in relation to the Babylonish ambassadors. 32 He dying, Manasseh succeedeth him.

FTER "these things, "and the establish-A ment thereof, Sennacherib king of Assyria came, and entered into Judah, and encamped against the fenced cities, and thought to "win them for himself.

2 And when Hezekiah saw that Sennacherib 2 And when Hezekiah saw that Sennacherib was come, and that 'he was purposed to fight against Jerusalem,' 3 He 'took counsel with his princes and his mishing many the stop, the waters of the found

mighty men "to stop the waters of the fountains which mere without the city : and they did help him.

4 So there was gathered much people to-4 So there was gathered much people to-gether, who stopped all the fountains, and the statistics, is. brook that 'ran through the midst of the land, saying, Why should the 'kings of Assyria come, and "find much water?"

5 Also he strengthened himself, and built up all the wall "that was broken, and raised it up to the towers, and 'another wall without, and repaired "Millo in the city of David, and made 'darts and shields in abundance.

6 And the set captains of war over the people, and gathered them together to him 'in the street of the gate of the city, and spake 'comfortably to them, saying,

7 Be 'strong and courageous, 'be not afraid nor dismayed for the king of Assyria, nor for all the multitude that is with him: "for there be more with us than with him :

8 With him is "an arm of flesh; but "with us is the LORD our God to help us, and "to fight our battles. And the people 'rested themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.

9 After this did Sennacherib king of Assyria send his servants to Jerusalem, (but he son, and himself laid siege against "Lachish, and all his gehilt.14-19. himself laid stege against Lacinch, of Judah, beer, 10.9. power⁹ with him,) unto Hezekiah king of Judah, beerd, eb. 20.22 beerd, eb. 30.22 b saying.

10 Thus 'saith Sennacherib king of Assyria, Whereon do ye trust, that ye abide in the "#4.30.16. siege" in Jerusalem?

11 Doth not Hezekiah persuade you 'to give BHeb. dominis over yourselves to die by famine and by thirst, alleb. dromp

41 KL15.5.2KI. 20.3;22.2. ^b De. 6.5; 10, 12, 1 Ki.2.4. ^cch 14.7;20,20;26. 5.Jos.1.7. 1 Ver. 20, 21. Herekish is be-leved to have ap-pointed scribes to transcribe

to transcribe copies of the sa-enel writings for the benefit of the people; see Note on Pr.25.1, d'eh.20.1,2. 2 " After these things." The reformation was commenced in enced in the first year of

the linst year of Henekiah, and the invasion of his kingdom happened in the fourteenth year, SKL18.13, The Ia.10.9,10. 9 ver. 19, 2 Kl. 18, 23-35; 19, 18, 19, Pa.115.3-8, h Ia.10,11,19, 6 Ex.14.3;15.9-11. narrative in the Kings is more full on the Assy-Is.42.8. \$ 2 KI. 18. 29 ; 19. 10. 2 If the Lord h rian

rian invasion than that in the

from his purpos against Jerusa Pr.15.22;20.18. 5 2Ki.20.90.

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ver.30; ch.30.14 P2Ki.19.14. Ne.6 5.1a.37.14. 92Ki.19.92,98.1s prive a great army of water was to over-whelm them in misery, in a hot climate. We 28.99.Re.13.6. 3"To rail on or to reproach #2Ki.19.12. climate. We know not how Hezekiah con-veyed the waters in the wichnity into the city; # 2K1.18,26-28,1e

probably by sub-terranean chan-nels, carefully concealed, The concealed, The brook Kelron is supposed to be called the "up-per" course in ver. 30. Herekiah's Pool is believed to be that named that named Birket-el-Hum-mann, which is within the west-ern part of the ancient city. It is computed to be about two benderd and two

dred soundred and forty fect in length, and one hundred & forty-four in breadth, but but not deep. It is supplied from what is called the Upper

l ch.12.1;14.5-7. n ch.25.23. oJe.39.4. 284.5.9.

ch.20,15 Ro.8.31.1Jn.4.4

Job 40.9. # ch.13.12;14.11.

saying, "The Lord our God shall deliver us a ver. 15, 2 Ki. 19, 10.Prasen1.3: out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

22.8;42.10. • cb.31.1.9KL 18. 4,22 Ia36.7. I "As Rabshakeh 12 Hath^b not the same Hezekiah taken away' his high places and his altars, and comsaw that the manded Judah and Jerusalem, saying, 'Ye utmost confi-dence in God, he wished to per-sende them that by Hezekish's conduct Jehownh had departed from them." c De. 12.13,14,26, 57. shall worship before done altar, and burn incense upon it?

13 Know ye not what 'I and my fathers have done unto all the people of other lands? ⁹were the gods of the nations of those lands 27. deh.4.1. Ex.27.1-@en.4.1. Ex.27,1-8; 30.1-6; 40.26-29.1K1.8.48. e 2 K1.15.29;17.5, 6;19.11-13,17,18, 1s.10.9,10. any ways able to deliver their lands out of mine hand?

14 Who mas there "among all the gods of those nations that my fathers utterly destroyed, that could deliver his people out of mine hand, that 'your God should be able to deliver you out of mine hand?

If the Lord had a mind to help them, he would have them be-lieve that He was not able; because no gods had been 15 Now therefore let not 'Hezekiah 'deceive you, nor *persuade you on this manner, neither yet believe him : for no god of any nation or kingdom was able to deliver his people out of able to delive those that we shipped the from his paper mine hand, and out of the hand of my fathers: how much less shall your God deliver you out ^k ver. 11. 1 Ki. 22 23, Js.35, 18, Ac 19,26,Ga.J.10, ³ Ex.5.2, Da.3.15 of mine hand?

16 And his servants spake "yet more against Jn.19.10,11. # Job 15.25,96.Ps 73.9. o Jn.15.21. the LORD God, and 'against his servant Hezekiah.

17 He "wrote also letters "to rail on" the LORD God of Israel, and to speak against him, 10, 15; 37, 23, 24 saying, 'As the gods of the nations of other lands have not delivered their people out of mine hand, so shall not the God of Hezekiah deliver his people out of mine hand.

* 25K.18.26-28.1a. 26.13. * 1 8a. 17. 10, 26. Ne.6.9. # ver.13-17. * ch.6.6. Pa.76.1, 2; 78.66; 87.1-3; 1:2.13,14. * De.4.26; 27.15.2 * du to 10, 105. 18 Then 'they cried with a loud voice in the Jews' speech unto the people of Jerusalem that were on the wall, 'to affright them, and to trou-K1.19.18, Pa.135, 15-18, ble them; that they might take the city. \$2 Kl. 19.14-19.

19 And they "spake against "the God of 1s.37.14-20. # 2 Ki. 19. 2-4. Is 37.2-4. a ch, 14.11; 20.6-12. Ps. 50.15; 91. Jerusalem, as against the gods of the people of the earth, which were "the work of the hands of man.

22, km 15. 4 The events of the invasion and slege, and the miraculous de-liverance, are recorded by 20 And for this cause "Hezekiah the king, liverance, recorded Isolah. and "the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz. prayed and cried to heaven. 8 g KL 19.20, 35

21 And 'the LORD sent an 'angel, which 1s. 37.21,36,37. 0 2 Sa.24.16. Mat 13.49,50. Ac. 12 cut off all the mighty men of valour, and 'the d Job 9.4. Pa 76.5 leaders and captains in the camp of the king 7,19. e 1s. 10. 8, 16-19 So he returned "with shame of of Assyria. 33,34; 17.12-14; 20.5-8. face to his own land. And when he was g Pa.132.18.Pr.11 come into the house of his god, they that came forth of his own bowels slew him there 2;16.18. A 2 Ki.19.36,37.1s 37.37,38. 5 Heb. made hin with the sword. fall. Ta. 18.48-50:144.

10,1s.10.94,95. J Ps.48.14; 73.94. Is.58.11. 22 Thus 'the LORD saved Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem from the hand of "Guided." of defended, as a shepherd his Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of all other, and 'guided' them on every flock. flock. k Exr. 7.15-22,97. Pa.68.29;72.10. l ch.17.11.1 K1.4. 21;10.10,25. side.

23 And many brought *gifts unto the LORD ⁷ Heb, precious things, ch. 9, 9, to Jerusalem, 'and 'presents to Hezekiah king