1. Revolt against Assyria
   a) Isaiah 36:1 Why did the Assyrians invade Judah in the 14th year of the reign of Hezekiah? (see 2 Kings 18:1-7)
   b) Unlike his father Ahaz, how did King Hezekiah prepare for his confrontation with the Assyrian army? 2 Chronicles 32:1-8

2. Bombarded by military propaganda
   a) Isaiah 36:2-20 What was Sennacherib's plan in sending the Rabshakeh ahead of him to Jerusalem?
   b) Which arguments of the Rabshakeh were most convincing? (see also 2 Chronicles 32:11)
   c) Isaiah 36:21 What are your thoughts about King Hezekiah’s instructions to his representatives?
   d) Why is it wise not to respond to the propaganda of the enemy? Psalm 16:8, Psalm 50:15
   e) Share a time when you found yourself in what appeared to be an impossible situation and you were tempted to give up rather than trust in God.

3. Shaken but not forsaken
   a) How did the propaganda of the Rabshakeh affect King Hezekiah and his officials? Isaiah 36:21-37:4
   b) What troubles you about the words of the king’s representatives recorded in Isaiah 37:4?
   c) What encouraging prophecy did Isaiah deliver to the representatives of King Hezekiah? Isaiah 37:5-7
   d) How did King Hezekiah respond to additional threats from Sennacherib? Isaiah 37:14-20
   e) What lesson can we learn from King Hezekiah’s response to this life-threatening situation?

4. Deliverance comes from the LORD
   a) Isaiah 37:22-35 What are your thoughts about the LORD’s response to the threats of the Assyrian king?
   b) Isaiah 37:36-37 Why was Sennacherib’s life spared the night 185,000 of his soldiers died?
   c) What prophecy was fulfilled when Sennacherib returned to Nineveh? Isaiah 37:38 (see Isaiah 37:7)

5. Giving honor and glory to the LORD
   a) Isaiah 38:1-9 Why did the LORD provide such a remarkable sign to King Hezekiah?
   b) Isaiah 39:1-2 What great opportunity did King Hezekiah miss when Babylonian envoys came to visit him after his recovery from a near-fatal illness?
   c) Isaiah 39:3-7 What message did Isaiah give to the King Hezekiah?
   d) Isaiah 39:8 What troubles you about King Hezekiah’s response?
   e) What lesson can we learn from King Hezekiah’s failure?