

Location: Sixth and Washington Streets Church of Christ

Date: September 28th, 2025

Title: Isaiah 36-38 (Adult Bible Class)

- **The God Who Defends His People (Isaiah 37.14-20; 33-36)**

- Theme: When threats surround us, God invites us to lay them before Him—not just in fear, but in faith.
- Key Movements:
 - Hezekiah's posture: He spreads the blasphemous letter before the Lord (v.14), modeling intercessory surrender.
 - God's response: "I will defend this city to save it, for my own sake and for the sake of my servant David" (v.35).
 - Deliverance: One angel strikes down 185,000 Assyrians (v.36)—a reminder that God doesn't need armies to win battles.
- Cross References:
 - 2 Chronicles 20:15–17 — "The battle is not yours, but God's."
 - Psalm 46:1–11 — "God is our refuge and strength... He breaks the bow and shatters the spear."

- **The God who Heals His Servants (Isaiah 38.1-6, 9-20)**

- Theme: God hears the cries of the righteous—not because they are perfect, but because they are His.
- Key Movements:
 - Hezekiah's illness: "Set your house in order, for you shall die" (v.1)—a sobering word from the same prophet who just declared national victory.
 - Hezekiah's prayer: He weeps bitterly, appealing to his walk before God (v.2–3).
 - God's mercy: "I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears" (v.5)—and grants fifteen more years.
- Cross References:
 - James 5:16 — "The prayer of a righteous person has great power."
 - Psalm 30:2–3 — "O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you healed me."
 - John 11:4 — "This illness is not unto death..." Jesus reframes sickness as a stage for glory.