HEZEKIAH'S OBITUARY

II Chronicles 32:32-33

We can learn a great deal about a man when we read his obituary.
- Let's see what Hezekiah's obituary reveals about him.

I. HEZEKIAH'S ACTS (32a)

A. HIS POLITICAL SUCCESSES

- 1. Against the king of Assyria II Kings 18:7 and II Chron. 32:20-22
- 2. Against the Philistines II Kings 18:8
- B. HIS PROJECT SUCCESS II Kings 20:20 and II Chron. 32:30
 - Well known for creating Hezekiah's tunnel

II. **HEZEKIAH'S DEVOTION** (32b)

A. A PIOUS MAN

- 1. Personally II Kings 18:1-6
- 2. Publically II Chron. 29-30
- B. A PRAYERFUL MAN II Kings 20:1-6 (and see II Chron. 32:24)
 - 1. Reality (1) > Dying at age 39
 - 2. Response (2-3) > Immediately turning to God (2-3)
 - 3. Reward (4-6) > 15 years added to his life

C. A PASSIONATE MAN - II Chron. 31:20-21

- 1. Sensitive to God (20)
- 2. Seeking God (21)

III. **HEZEKIAH'S RECORD** (32c)

- A. WRITTEN IN ISAIAH'S VISION Isaiah 36-39
- B. REMEMBERED IN THE BOOK OF THE KINGS II Kings 18-20
- C. RECALLED IN THREE INSPIRED BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

IV. **HEZEKIAH'S MEMORIAL** (33a)

A. HIS BURIAL

- Buried with the best leaders of Israel in the chiefest of sepulchers

B. HIS HONOR

- This great reformer was honorably respected and remembered by all

V. **HEZEKIAH'S HEIR** (33b)

A. HIS SON AS KING (33b)

B. HIS SON'S CORRUPTION - II Chron. 33:1-9

- 1. Evil abominations (2)
- 2. Restoration of idolatry (3-5)
- 3. Participation in pagan and occult practices (6)
- 4. Offending and disobeying God (7-8)
- 5. Misleading Judah (9)

C. HIS SON'S CONDITION

- Unfortunately undoing all that his father had done!

CONCLUSION

SOME FOOD FOR THOUGHT:

- 1. What significant contributions are we making with our lives?
- 2. Are we devoted to God and do others sense it?
- 3. Is our life worthy of a biography and if so, what would the author say?
- 4. What memorable and honorable things will people mention at our funeral service?
- 5. How are we influencing and investing in our children?

HOW WILL YOUR OBITUARY READ?