

Real Life Downloaded & In the World

For September 15, 2024

Lesson Focus: Pray for God's deliverance to be known in all the earth.

Bible Basis: 2 Kings 19:14–20, 29–31

Memory (Key) Verse: 2 Kings 19:19

Summary (Lesson Title): Hezekiah's Prayer

Step 1

SHOWING AN EXPERT

When seven-year-old Liam Fisher and his dad were hiking with family in North Dakota and spotted a fossilized bone, they thought it was just a common “chunk-osaurus”—a true dinosaur bone but from something too small to be identifiable. However, they snapped a photo and sent it to family friend Tyler Lyson, the associate curator of vertebrate paleontology at the Denver Museum of Nature and Science. Lyson was intrigued and organized an excavation, which eventually unearthed several bones, teeth, and most of the skull of a tyrannosaurus rex. That cinched it for Lyson: “It doesn't get any more diagnostic than that, seeing these giant tyrannosaurus teeth staring back at you.” The story was made public at a press conference last month, which announced the forthcoming exhibit at the Denver museum and an accompanying documentary film about the find.

SHOWING THE LORD

Today's text focuses on King Hezekiah's reaction to a threatening letter from King Sennacherib of Assyria. Sennacherib wrote to Hezekiah, threatening to destroy Judah no matter what god they called upon to save them. Hezekiah read it and immediately went to the temple to spread out the letter before the Lord, whom he called upon to deliver Judah from the might of Assyria. God graciously answered the king with a promise: God would rescue a remnant which would bear fruit.

Questions

1. What's the most exciting thing you've ever found or discovered?
2. Have you ever discovered something that needed an expert opinion? When?
3. How might we approach God in prayer, when we are faced with something frightening?

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1. Contemporary Worship Weekly
<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/4JGkwp5ZDf5Eww31SGcF4n?si=63d4fa10ddfa47aa>

2. Echoes Worship Weekly
<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/2psN0hA48H9lyh6vJc5KKb?si=3ef5bb07ee15409e>
3. Traditional Worship Weekly
<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/2utAcyXMWglyBYmM6iBLfi?si=26c938e689ad4d1f>
4. Thomas L. Constable notes on 2 Kings 19 <https://netbible.org/bible/2+Kings+19>
5. The *BibleProject* summary of 1–2 Kings <https://bibleproject.com/guides/books-of-kings/#2-kings-18-25-summary>
6. Audio: David Guzik's Enduring Word devotional, "Praying to the God You Know"
<https://enduringword.com/praying-to-the-god-you-know-2-kings-1915-19-november-8-2023/>

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Step 4

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