

# USING GOD

**II KINGS 16**

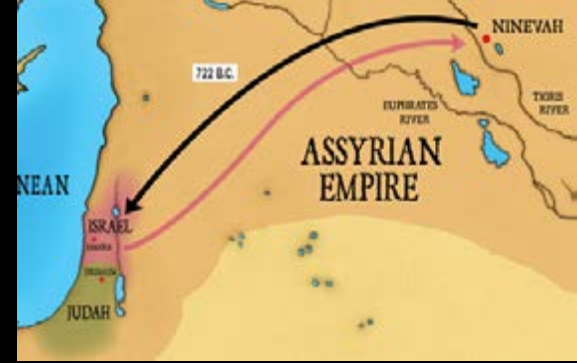


# I. Instead of serving God, Ahaz chose to worship idols (**II Kings 16:1-4**).

- What is the motivation behind idolatry?
- How does the idolatry of **Colossians 3:5** demonstrate that truth?



## II. Instead of trusting God, Ahaz chose to trust in Assyria (**II Kings 16: 5-9**).



- Why would we choose to trust earthly sources above God?
- Again, what is the motivation for trusting human solutions above heavenly ones?

**III. When Ahaz saw a pagan altar, he wanted one just like it (v.10-14).**



- **What does Ahaz' enamored decision tell us about his faith in God?**
- **Why would the people of God remove the Lord's altar?**

# IV. When Ahaz was seeking personal guidance, he used the Lord's altar (v.15-16).



- What is wrong with the faith required to offer the Lord's offering on another altar?
- Who can offer our sacrifices to God? (Romans 12:1; Hebrews 13:15-16)
- How does Ahaz seek to use God when offering on the Lord's altar?



# V. Instead of following God's plan, Ahaz did what he wanted (v.17-20).

- What is wrong with thinking that we can plan God's house better than He can?
- Why honor any king above the King of kings?
- What will God do if we decide to use God instead of serve Him?



# **Call to Action: To totally surrender to God instead of using religion.**



- How does our coveting affect our worship of God?
- What is wrong with trusting man before we trust God?
- Whose way do we want to approach God?
- What is wrong with using God for our desires?
- What happens to us when we use God instead of surrendering to Him?

**-How can we help?**