



L1.56: King Uzziah

2 Chronicles 26

When King Jehoash died, his son Amaziah reigned in Judah. His time as king was short, and it wasn't long before his son Uzziah became king of Judah after his father King Amaziah (2 Kings 14). In the Bible, Uzziah is sometimes also named King Azariah. Uzziah followed in the footsteps of his father as a good king, but like his father, he did not remove the high places where the people worshipped other gods. However, because he tried to do the right thing, God gave him many successes. He built cities, made his army strong, and protected the people from their enemies. Unfortunately, his successes filled him with pride.

Discuss:

- How old was Uzziah when he became king of Judah? What do you think Uzziah did to prepare to be king as he grew up? What can you do now to prepare to be a good king and priest in the future?
- We know that God is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him (Hebrews 11:6). How did God reward Uzziah for seeking Him and listening to God's priest?
- What does the Scripture mean where it says that Uzziah "loved the soil"?
- Why did Uzziah build towers in Jerusalem?
- What did King Uzziah do that made God angry with him? Why do you think Uzziah made that bad decision? How did God punish him? Do you think Uzziah learned from his mistake?



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Memory Challenge:

2 Chronicles 26:5

“He sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God; and as long as he sought the Lord, God made him prosper.”