

## Who Do We Really Trust In? Isaiah 36-39

In 712 BC, Sennacherib King of the superpower Assyria had punished the rebellious state of Judah by destroying 46 towns as he swept towards its capital, Jerusalem. As Judah's future hangs in the balance they are faced with a choice of whom they will really depend on (36:5)!

### King Sennacherib's (Assyria) Threats 36:1-22

to the leaders of Judah v4-10

to the crowds of Judah v13-20

### King Hezekiah's (Judah) Response 37:1-2, 14-20

He throws himself on:

- the Lord v1
- the resources the Lord gives v2, v4, 14f

### God's Action as King of the Universe 37:3-7, 21-38

- **speaks** through the prophet to silence arrogant opposition & encourage prayerful dependence. v3-4
- **promises** He has heard their cry for help & has not abandoned his promises to His covenant people v6-7
- **removes** the arrogant Sennacherib, showing His total power over him and his treacherous family.

### So what about us?

Trust God when ...

Seek God's honour when ...

For further thinking through ... Phil 1:20-26, Eph 1:12,14, Matt 6:9-10, Isaiah 37:20 1 Tim 6:17-18, Matt 5:45, Phil 4:10-13, Job 2:10, Heb 12:7-11, 1 Cor 10:13