

1. The delegation, returning in failure from their negotiations, reported the Assyrian field commander's ultimatum to King Hezekiah. (Is 37:2)
  - a. What is King Hezekiah's personal response to the report, and where does he go? (Is 37:1)
  - b. Who comprises the delegation that was sent to Isaiah? (Is 31:2)
  - c. How does the king tell them to dress? (Is 37:2)
2. King Hezekiah tells the group to give his message to Isaiah. (Is 37:3-4)
  - a. How does the king use the image of a pregnant woman, unable to deliver her baby, to describe his own distress? (Is 37:3)
  - b. What does the king hope to accomplish by sharing with Isaiah the insulting words the field commander said about the Lord? (Is 37:4)
3. When Isaiah heard the words of the field commander and the king's request to pray that a remnant of people may be saved, Isaiah gave the Lord's reply. (Is 37:4)
  - a. What was the Lord's response to the field commander's blasphemy? (Is 37:6)
  - b. How will the Lord ensure that Jerusalem will not be destroyed? (Is 37:7)
  - c. What does Isaiah tell the delegation about the fate of the field commander? (Is 37:7)
4. King Sennacherib's Assyrian army left Jerusalem.
  - a. Why did the Assyrian field commander withdraw his troops from Jerusalem? (Is 37:8)
  - b. What did Sennacherib think of Hezekiah's God? (Is 37:10-13)
  - c. Is it clear that Sennacherib intended to return and overtake Jerusalem? (Is 37: 11)
  - d. In what form and in what manner did Sennacherib's message come to Hezekiah? (Is 37:14)
5. Hezekiah received the message from Sennacherib, presented it to God in the Temple, and prayed.
  - a. What are the qualities of God that Hezekiah acknowledged? (Is 37:14-16)
  - b. What does Hezekiah want the Lord to "see"? (Is 37:17)
  - c. How does Hezekiah acknowledge the power of the Assyrian kings? (Is 37:18-19)
  - d. What is the essence of Hezekiah's prayer? (Is 37:20)
  - e. In what way does Hezekiah honor God at the end of his prayer? (Is 37:20)
6. Hezekiah receives God's response to his prayer through Isaiah. (Is 37:21-29)
  - a. How does God's message describe the city of Jerusalem's response to Sennacherib? (Is 37:22-23)
  - b. How does God's response show that God was present at the delegates' meeting with Sennacherib's field commander? (Is 37:24-25)
7. How does this prophetic message to Hezekiah acknowledge that, just as God had permitted Assyria to become a superpower, He will now show what He will allow to happen to Sennacherib? (Is 37:26-30)
8. God's prophetic message finally addresses King Hezekiah directly. (Is 37:30-35)
  - a. What does God say will happen to the people of Judah? (Is 37:30-32)
  - b. What does God say will happen to the Assyrian army? (Is 37:33-37)
  - c. What does God say will happen to King Sennacherib as foretold 20 years earlier? (Is 37:38)