

2 Kings 20:15

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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Analysis

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This verse contributes to the overall theme of chapter 20: God's mercy and human presumption. In Judah's later history, we see both genuine reforms and deep-rooted corruption, revealing that external religious activity cannot substitute for heart transformation.

The narrative demonstrates God's justice in judging covenant unfaithfulness while maintaining His ultimate purposes for redemption.

Historical Context

Historical Setting: 2 Kings 20 takes place during Hezekiah's reign in Judah, late 8th century BCE, around 715-686 BCE. The chapter's theme (Hezekiah's Illness and Recovery) reflects the historical reality of genuine religious reform under Hezekiah, including trust in God that resulted in miraculous deliverance from Assyria. Archaeological evidence from this period includes royal inscriptions, administrative documents, and material culture that corroborate the biblical

account while providing additional context for understanding the political and social dynamics at work.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

James 2:17 — Faith and works

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How does this verse contribute to understanding the theological message of 2 Kings 20 regarding god's mercy and human presumption?
2. What does this passage reveal about God's character, particularly His justice, mercy, and faithfulness to covenant promises?
3. In what practical ways should this text shape contemporary Christian thinking about faithfulness, worship, and obedience to God?

Interlinear Text

וַיֹּאמֶר	מָה	הָרְאִיתֶם	בְּבֵיתִי
And he said	H4100	What have they seen	All the things that are in mine house
H559		H7200	H1004
וַיֹּאמֶר	חֶזְקִיָּהּ הוּא	אֵת	כָּל
And he said	And Hezekiah	H853	H3605
H559	H2396		H834
	בְּבֵיתִי	הָרְאִיתֶם	לֹא
All the things that are in mine house	What have they seen	H3808	H1961
H1004	H7200		
דָּבָר	אֲשֶׁר	לֹא	בְּאֲצֻרֹתַי:
there is nothing	H834	H3808	What have they seen
H1697			among my treasures
		H7200	H214