

The Perfect Heart Kings - 9
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We'll begin tonight in in Second Kings Chapter Twenty. We're going to conclude the encouragement with Hezekiah tonight. From time to time as we go into Josiah obviously the LORD will bring some things that we'll see as the double portion will be so much more magnified in King Josiah. But we come to the end of Hezekiah's life, and what we come to at the end of Hezekiah's life is a failure, and matter of fact a pretty large failure. And again, right before the end of his life, right before he goes to see the LORD, hallelujah. And you know that was very similar to King David, another perfect heart king. Do you know he numbered the people pretty much two, three years before he went to be with the LORD. Now, aren't you thankful for but God? Amen, praise the LORD, but God. 01:06

See, whether it was David, or whether it was Hezekiah grace's choice will never be denied its overcoming place. I'll be gracious to whom I'll be gracious, thank You Jesus. Now I'm grateful to God for these things' brothers and sisters, and I believe you are too because we're just a bunch of vessels of mercy. You know those people that well you must be doing something if you're always talking about mercy. 01:37 You know it, and let your mind run because every bit of all of sin in this world is all capable right here in this sinful flesh, so go at it. Use your imagination whatever you want to think, whatever all I can tell you but God Who is rich in mercy, and He is so rich in mercy. 02:02

And in His great love we're with and put your name right there with He loves me, He loves you. Let me tell you something, I know I didn't deserve a thing, I know I don't deserve a thing but there's something about God and His grace and His choice He gave me everything. And thanks be to God, He'll hold it, He keeps it praise His name. And I thank the LORD that you know even though there's lots of issues in this head, there's lots of things that I'm very capable of doing that would just be wrong I'm pretty much occupied just thinking about Him and His mercy to me. It's amazing I don't have as much time for that other stuff. I know it's all there, right? I ain't going to change this flesh, but I thank God my attention, praise God my fellowship, praise God the life that I now live; the new man is living the faith of the Son of God, praise His name. 03:00

So, again whether it was David, whether it was Hezekiah grace's choice will never be denied its overcoming place. No matter how much we get hit, and sometimes we get hit pretty good. You can get hit by a wave that you think oh no, but He keeps us from falling. God always keeps His perfect heart kings. He always keeps His perfect heart kings because you'll never get to the perfect heart if He hasn't done all the keeping. You understand that because it's all grace and you get it. You get it and all that grace has made you a perfected king so rest kings. Amen? Just rest and thank the LORD. 03:53

So, what happens here? Pride gets him. I know we don't know anything about that do we? But pride gets the best of Hezekiah and what we're going to read here in just a

second is he foolishly chose all his treasures to ungodly; to ungodly ones; the Babylonian and it was because he got puffed up, and he began to show and to reveal, matter of fact everything that he had to ones that weren't of like precious faith. He brought them in to show them, and they would have nothing to do with that. It wasn't anything spiritual as you'll see, his motivation was he wanted to puff up and magnify himself. Alright? Let's read from verses twelve to eighteen of Second Kings Chapter Twenty. At that time Berodachbaladan, the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present unto Hezekiah: for he had heard that Hezekiah had been sick. And Hezekiah hearkened unto them and shewed them all the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and *all* the house of his armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not. 05:21

Then came Isaiah the prophet unto king Hezekiah, and said unto him, What said these men? Could you imagine the prophet coming in there; what are these guys doing here, huh? And from whence came they unto thee? And Hezekiah said, well, they are come from a far country, *even* Babylon. And he said, What have they seen in thine house? Hezekiah answered, all *the things* that *are* mine, they have seen, there is nothing among my treasures that I have not shewed them. And Isaiah said unto Hezekiah, Hear the word of the LORD. Behold, the day will come, that all that *is* in thine house, and that which thy fathers have laid up in store unto this day, shall be carried into Babylon: nothing shall be left, saith the LORD. And of thy sons they shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget, shall they take away; and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon. 06:21

We're going to stop right there. Casting you pearl among swine is never wise, and that's the truth. We have a lot of different motivations; I pray that the Spirit always give me utterance. I pray that I never go on my own strength in a sense, or even in private, whatever it would be giving out what the LORD, the treasure that God has given me. And brothers and sisters we need to take to heart the glory and the grace of the LORD that He's bestowed upon us. And let me tell you something, the treasure that God has with you oftentimes He wants just to have it with you and Him. There's a verse in the bible that says if you have faith, have it to yourself. And I want to talk about that just for a second. The pride that Hezekiah really had at this time wasn't his riches and his power; that wasn't it. The pride that he had was from his miraculous healing, it was. He was healed from death, and it's interesting brothers and sisters to think God gives us such beautiful faith that the LORD is the One that gives us this, but yet it can turn to pride if we let it. The word of God told Paul, He said Paul, with the things that have been revealed to you with the knowledge which all the things that I've shown you. Brothers, if I don't send a messenger of Satan to buffet you, to beat on you with that thorn, you would have been puffed up son. You'd have missed it. 08:17

That perfect heart would have completely ruined. I thank God that I really do see that in the same way Hezekiah was genuinely given this because Hezekiah just like we do, brothers and sisters we always need more humbleness, and we humble ourselves before the LORD, but the LORD is the One that brings the humility to our lives and He does it with events like this. Don't think that this was any light thing to Hezekiah. You

know it hurt this man, we're going to read a few things, we know that this was severe in what God is said. But I think about this I've known times where people have been so miraculously healed of the LORD, and then they think that there's something because they were healed of the LORD. I was thinking of precious Judy, you know she's still having that situation with her elbow, and the LORD just continues to come in and He's doing a mighty work there. The joy of the LORD is her strength is keeping her through this trial, it's precious. 09:27

And I can go through this whole assembly right here, and everything you've been through honeys; it's marvelous. It encourages me, I thank God. Now let me tell you something as I told you on Sunday, I've had things happen to me and let me tell you something, I've been hurt, I've been very sick; I've been sick unto death. I've had that infection in my body two times. The LORD did stop that, and it was a miracle, but you know the LORD could have prevented it from ever even hitting my body. I fell and I hit my arm the other day, and I told you I thought about sweet Judy I said well LORD thank You for preventing that from me, but I thank God for what He's working in my sister Judy and her family, and I'm no better and no greater in faith than she is, God determined; God determined in these different events brothers and sisters we're but a step from us and death; you get that? Praise the LORD, and if you get healed it wasn't your great faith that healed you, it was the LORD that healed you. Amen, praise God and it was the mercy of the LORD that brought the healing. Amen, and so thanks be to God it's Him. By the grace of God don't let us get puffed up. 10:45

Now, Hezekiah had walked before the LORD in His truth, and Hezekiah said that to God; we read that about he was sick last week. He said LORD, I walked before You, I followed Your way; I want You to heal me, and the LORD did, but I want you to know this, just as God told Israel, just as God tells us I didn't choose you; I didn't choose you because you were great in number, I didn't choose you to heal you even because you obeyed, I chose you because I love you. Everything He does with us is because of mercy, mercy; that's it giving you the exact extreme opposite of what you deserve. Everything, everything. Thanks be to God; you don't even get to the place to trust God; it had to be mercy to get you to the place to trust God. For us to go on brothers and sisters it's just mercy. It's not because we got better, it's because His mercy is so immense. Now, that should give you hope, and I really believe brothers and sisters that really is the beginning so much failure in our life is when we take credit for anything spiritually that has happened in our life, anything; anything. And yet you think about how sad we can be so quick to walk around with some type of a badge that we think we got because we're so good, or religious, or holy, or you submitting, whatever it may be. By the grace of God let us want to magnify Him. Amen. 12:42

Now, I think we can say this together, and I say this for myself, I thank the LORD, I do walk with the LORD. I thank the LORD that I love His truth, it's the love of my life, I thank God for that, but none of that is because of me, I know that. It's Him, He did the work. He brought me here tonight to preach the word to you, He was the One that deemed that praise God. He brought you here tonight to hear the word preached to you tonight. He does everything, everything. He's brought us all the way in a sense, and I'm telling you the truth, and I thank God for this. I had nothing to do with this because the word of

God tells me I can't do a thing. And He got me out of the way right at the beginning because I died, and now Christ lives in me. See, He got that out of the way, and I don't know how somebody could tell you that you can't do anything any more clearly than when they tell you you're dead. You're dead. You know think. I'm not trying to be graphic, but let's drag a corpse up here and tell it do something. Come on. Right, it's dead, it's over, but yet we live. But yet we live and not just live, by the grace of God we're living abundantly because we have His life. And if you really think through that just come on, it does have to be the mind of Christ, but what can you do? You can't because in a sense; in a sense I died, so in a sense that doesn't even exist because it's dead, but yet I do live and I got a new life, and praise God that Jesus lives in me. 14:49

It's so sweet, it's so perfect, it's so Jesus, and that's why I thank the LORD that that's what gives us hope always. That's our gladness, that's our joy, that's our peace in believing Him for His keeping, and believing Him for everything. Amen? Is there anything you don't believe the LORD for? If there is, believe Him. Really, no matter what it is. Any need that we would ever have, but especially our spiritual growth; especially that. Especially when we're having a hard time, especially when we believe that we are in the desert of deserts that I don't have the psalmist, he even said LORD I don't even think I have a peep of praise coming out right now, but I'm still believing You for Your keeping. That's the beautiful thing about if you read the Psalm. It can get bad for a few verses, but it always turns pretty quick. David gets pretty melancholy, and then whoop it's a high note you know and because it's the mercy of the LORD and that's the perfect heart king. But remember Who gave you the perfect heart. Amen. I thank the LORD, I can tell you I don't rely on myself; I can't, I tried it, it doesn't work. The only thing that I can encourage myself in is in the LORD which is just what went on. It's all Him, it's all His life, that's in the LORD. 16:30

Now, God preserves the perfect heart. Now remember that God preserves the perfect heart. It's not about perfect actions, it's never going to happen. No, it's a perfect heart that He's after. Now, turn on over to Second Chronicles Chapter Thirty-two and let's read verse twenty-four and it says there, in those days Hezekiah was sick to the death, and prayed unto the LORD: and He spake unto him, and He gave him a sign. Remember we talked about that. He brought the shadow of the sun back, alright? But Hezekiah; now look at this, even though that grave view happened. This is in Second Chronicles Chapter Thirty-two, Verse twenty-four, now we're in twenty-five but Hezekiah rendered not again according to the benefit *done* unto him. How quickly we can forget, and that's the truth, amen? Think about that for anything in your life brothers and sisters, think about the trial that you're in right now, think about the deep trial that you're in right now. It's no different than any other trial. God appointed it for you, God's in it with you, and God meant it for your good, and He has already made the way of escape. Praise the LORD? 18:03

Praise the LORD, so right there we're more than a conqueror through Christ Who loved us because that's all because the love He's going to do that. I also in that need to have a wonderful memory about one thing, the faithfulness of God. I need to continue to always remind myself, and that's why I thank the LORD I know your victories, I also know your down settings which is your victory praise God because we had to go through that

to get to where that next pasture or whatever He was going to show us praise the LORD. So I thank God so richly that again He's the One that cause us don't forget, count your blessings, and you're blessed with all the spiritual blessings in the heavens in Christ, but do not forget the benefits that you have. David even said that, LORD, help me to remember all Thy benefits to me, praise God? So, He said, but Hezekiah rendered not again according to the benefit *done* unto him; for his heart was lifted up: therefore, there was wrath upon him, and upon Judah and Jerusalem. Alright, notwithstanding Hezekiah humbled himself with the pride of his heart, *both* he and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, so that the wrath of the LORD came not upon them in the days of Hezekiah. Isn't that something because the LORD came in and touched him and humbled his heart? Isn't that glorious?

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Now, but there's the critic and they're going to sit there and say oh wait a second, Hezekiah, you know, you're not getting no get out of jail card free, you got to walk around here, and you got to tell us you're sorry, or whatever you're going to say, I don't know. This man, I'm sure you can read it here, you can see it. He was touched, he was hurt; there was remorse, and what he did was he humbled himself before the LORD. LORD, I'm sorry, amen, praise God. We need to have a tender heart before God, but we also need to know our God; He still loves us, and we still need to trust our LORD in the respect that we owe to Him because whom much is given, much is required. Respect His grace, respect the mercy of the LORD. I gave it to you, I'm the keeper of it, I'll sustain you, thanks be to God.

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See. The enemy wants you to go moping around and feeling bad, and staying down, and little Christians want you to stay right there too. That's the truth. The spiritual, what they want you to do is get up, come on we're done with that. I thank God, I was just saying to a brother, and I appreciated the LORD encouraging my heart with this. Brothers and sisters, we're fighting the war, the great, the warfare praise the LORD the greatest fight there could ever be, the good fight of faith. And we're fighting the most holy faith; we're fighting the faith praise God in Paul's gospel. Amen. Amen, and it'll tell you it's the most treacherous battle, it's a battle that doesn't pause; there's no pauses in this one, it's constant, its intent, so praise be to the LORD, you know what? I endure hardness as a good soldier, but I thank God there's a company here. Oh yeah there is, and what I was saying to brother I said you know sometimes we don't have time for lunch, sometimes we may not even have a lot of natural things that we hang out together or anything like that, but I'll tell you one thing, if I'm getting in a foxhole, I want you. I want you. The foxhole for Paul's gospel, I want you, and you, and you, and you, and you; you know that don't you? because you know what? I know you know you got eternal life so you ain't going to die.

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Oh, what I got to fight with, oh the mighty men that I'm part of; oh, my goodness, we can't lose. And we ain't going to quit because this is it. Where else we going to go? This is our calling, this is who we are, this is what we do praise be to God. And I love that, I was thinking about that you know with your brother, and you know you think about all the service people, and the service men that come together and all that, they come from all walks of life. They might fuss and fight and all that in the barracks and everything like

that but when that battle's hitting let me tell you I've got your back, you got mine. This is it, this is the brotherhood, no one's left behind here, we're going in, we're one. How much more so? How much more so? Praise God this is real, this is real. But see the critics will sit there and just say well, he cared about himself you know, and I'm sure they didn't like this when they said well, you know what? The judgment's not going to come upon you, and the judgment's not going to come upon the people because God loves you so much, He's going to spare you all from this. 23:57

I want you to hear what He said. Let's go back to Second Kings Chapter Twenty. This'll grab you, and you can look at it one or two ways. You can look at it with mercy, them that are merciful, or you can look at it with that condemnation of the self-righteous heart and I know which one you want, so let's go at it. So, we left off in verse eighteen, so Second Kings Chapter Twenty. We left off in verse eighteen, I'll read it again, and He says to Hezekiah, your sons are going to be taken away to Babylon, they're going to be made eunuchs in the palace. That transformation is not a really, it's not a good way to go. Here's Hezekiah's response. Then said Hezekiah unto Isaiah, good *is* the word of the LORD which thou hast spoken. And he said, *Is it not good*, if peace and truth be in my days? 24:58

Now that's a tough one for some people because I know that the self-righteous one is going to say well, he was just thinking of himself, how dare that guy? How could he be like that? Now, I'll tell you what, it truly is about your life and it is about your life and I'll tell you what it's about, it's about peace and truth in your lifetime and that's the truth. That's the testimony. The critics may say that he was self-centered, the critics may say well, see, he was so self-centered that's why his son Manasseh was such a wicked guy because Hezekiah was so self-consumed. And I am telling you there are pastors and teachers that will tell you just that, that do and have accepted Christ as their Saviour. But I want to ask you something, didn't the word of God tell us that Hezekiah trusted God more than any king of Judah before or after him, any? Now come on, yes, he did and that's what the LORD said about him. Well, let me tell you something, instead of laying Manasseh meaning that was his son, his wicked son, and instead of laying the fault upon him that his son was wicked for that, I would say that this, if his children didn't take to heart that their dad trusted and saw their dad trusting God more than any other king then I have to tell you something, that's on their kids. 26:50

That's on their kids. See. I've seen saints, and I'm going to tell you this, I've seen saint talk and preach the ears off their kids; I've seen it. I've seen them just preach to them, and just talk the ear off of them and all that, yet those parents lived such a cold loveless critical life. The greatest thing you could ever do is to encourage your child with a testimony of the LORD in your life. The testimony of love, and mercy, and grace, and forgiveness; all the things that Jesus is. The word of God says and even warns us, don't provoke your child to wrath. Uh huh? That doesn't mean you let them get away with anything; that's not it at all, but when you chasten, you chasten if you really chasten as the LORD does, you chasten in love. There's correction, we did not spare the rod, but I'll tell you one thing the kids knew always constantly that we loved them, and loved them more than anything, and we wanted was that benefit of God in their life. But when we're

cold and we're just going to ostracize and things like that as parents, that's not God's love, and it's not and you will not get that harvest, you just won't. 28:30

And by the way I'll say it as the LORD showed grace to Hezekiah, you saw how the LORD showed grace to Hezekiah huh? God is so good to Hezekiah all the time and Hezekiah gets prideful, God says I don't want anything to do with him; He didn't do that, did He? Oh no He didn't. Matter of fact He even loved him the more. We're going to see how much He loved him. But it's so beautiful that shoot, they had a whole tribute about him trusting God more than any king before or after him. The LORD didn't have to go back and say well wait a second, I made a mistake in my word, and now I got to change it. No, that's what a perfect heart king is. God keeps the perfect heart, God brings the humbleness, God knows what's going to come forth because who He foreknew, He did predestinate. This wasn't on the fly with Hezekiah, this isn't on the fly with you honey. I don't know what my children will grow up to be, I've committed them to the LORD. I'm trusting the LORD for the grace of God with them just like I do with you, and I believe you're on the mark for the prize of the high calling of God, but I've got to be on that for me. I know the greatest thing I could do for your life is the greatest thing I do for my kid's life, I've got to run to win and by the grace of God I got to run harder, more undeterred, less distracted all the time. And He's sharpening me. Oh, praise God even as a pastor. I just want to be about my Father's business; that's it. I don't got time for anything else, and I'll tell you what my brother, you don't either, you really don't. There're things that the LORD has us to do in life and different things like that, don't miss the best part, don't miss it. Don't hang it up for anything; don't neglect it for even a minute. By the grace of God LORD don't let my eye to slumber or my hands to fold; don't let me get complacent with this. Let me be on fire. 30:31

Now here's what's so beautiful about the grace that was shown to Hezekiah. Maybe it was that failure, and then the grace that the LORD brought to Hezekiah that actually changed Manasseh's heart to turn to God at the end. See, he had a very wicked son, his name was Manasseh. Okay, let's read about him here alright. We'll read on, go over to Second Chronicles and let's go to chapter thirty-three. Now this is Hezekiah's son, and let's just read verses one and two and this'll tell you about him. Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and he reigned fifty and five years in Jerusalem; double grace. So, let's think about this double grace. But did *that which* was evil in the sight of the LORD, like unto the abominations of the heathen; he was just like the heathen, whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel. Alright? But he went bad right away even from a young person. This is a wicked path, alright? But let's think, he didn't pay attention at all to how his father trusted the LORD more than any king, not for a long time in his life. 32:02

Maybe he even enjoyed seeing his father make that big mistake toward the end of his life, He was so wicked. Aw look at my dad, he got proud. Huh? But then he saw his dad humble himself, and he saw the LORD give him grace huh? Maybe, I think maybe that's right because I want you to jump over to verse eleven. So, he's been wicked most all of his life, this Manasseh, he said because of that wickedness here's what the LORD does. Wherefore the LORD brought upon them the captains of the host of the king of

Assyria, which took Manasseh among the thorns, bound him with fetters, and carried him to Babylon. He was done, and when he was in affliction, what does he do? He besought the LORD his God, humbled himself greatly before the God of his fathers, prayed unto Him: and He was intreated of him, and heard his supplication, and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. See, even divinely God never took His reigning away; He brought him into his kingdom. It was always there, he just needed to believe God. This is like the prodigal; boom, faith brought me back immediately. So, isn't that glorious?

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It says and he prayed unto Him, and he was intreated of Him. I love that, he prayed unto God, he was intreated of Him, He heard his supplication, He brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom, then Manasseh knew that the LORD, He was God. Now after all the things that Manasseh had done just like the heathen, tearing down all the things of God, ripping out all the altars and bringing in all the idols; this guy did that, and then you know what, he gets his tail in a sling, he's done. Oh, they always know, they always turn to Jesus when they're in prison. I remember that guy saying that to me, going in there to see those prisoners, ...all I said to him was ...right back, "well, at least they found Him. ...". Just stared at me, never said another word to me. I knew that guy was a devil. He was just trying to *erg*, you know, just jab just to jab. Let me tell you something, there's some coals of fire, so he done all that, but Manasseh knew that the LORD, He was God.

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Now, look at verse fourteen. Now after this, this was Manasseh, he built a wall without the city of David, on the west side of Gihon, in the valley, even to the entering in at the fish gate, and compassed it about Ophel, and raised it up a very great height, put captains of war in all the fenced cities of Judah. And he took away the strange gods, and the idols out of the house of the LORD. All those things that he did, and all the altars that he had built, and in the mount of the house of the LORD, and in Jerusalem, and cast *them* out of the city And he repaired the altar of the LORD, sacrificed thereon peace offerings and thank offerings, and commanded Judah to serve the LORD God of Israel. Isn't that great, isn't that awesome? Praise the LORD, but see, what are we looking for brothers and sisters? I mean really, what are we looking for? I want to look for glory. By the grace of God, I thank God to look for a good report and look for the mercy of the LORD. That's what I see, that's what I see from Hezekiah humbling himself before the LORD. I don't see that that was the reason and the trigger of Hezekiah failing, getting prideful, that set Manasseh on a bad track. Un uh. U un, you're never going to blame anybody, we're without excuse and that's the truth.

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It doesn't matter who we are, that blood that flows there's no excuse. That testimony that came out from Hezekiah's life was immense; it was incredible. That boy had to see all those things that happened, but thanks be to God he saw one thing that happened, and I know he did, he saw his dad humble his heart and the LORD touched him. And I'm confident, and I thank God for it that that man knew I need to turn to God. God is still able; God will still hear me; that's what he heard. That's what he heard, and I thank the LORD the word of the LORD does not return void unto Him. When you continue by the grace of God to go after the LORD, and especially in your failures go after God.

That'll be the greatest testimony witness there could ever be, but by the grace of God take it from the LORD and humble yourself. Humble myself before God. I can testify, and I know that my sons would agree some of the hardest times of dad's life, well dad didn't make the right decision, I didn't respond the right way but thanks for the working for the love of Christ in my life that I believe is more powerful than most any other time in my life with my kids. And the reason that that's affecting them now is because they're men. Now you get it, it's not easy. A lot of things come at you, a lot of things come at you quick and especially as you become parents in all those things. God just continued to lower; throttle me down a little bit, let me be quick to hear, and slow to speak. How many times I got myself in trouble speaking a little bit too fast. 38:36

But saints as we wrap this up tonight it's the coldness of heart and the lack of mercy that will knock you out of the race; that's what'll do it. Really, we're all going to have failure, we're all going to come up short; it's not only going to happen once, it's going to happen a lot of times. The difference of the perfected king is their perfect heart is trusting in the mercy of the LORD. And I love Hezekiah's heart, remember how the LORD brought that out for us? The reason that He established and reestablish the temple, in the very first thing, it was about the worship, right? And getting the people to worship the LORD. His love was for his brothers and sisters in the LORD. He loved them the same, he wanted to participate that together. And isn't that beautiful how the LORD when He restored and said to Hezekiah, I'm not going to have this come to pass upon you or the people during your lifetime. I just think that's so beautiful because they were all in it together, and did you notice that about, and I will say sweet Manasseh when the LORD again embraced him and said look, I've just been waiting for you son, I never left you and here You are with Me. 40:16 And what did he do? He brought all of Judah and commanded them. We're going to serve the LORD together. That's the perfect heart king, and I pray that that we understand that brothers and sisters. 40:35

And I've seen it too, and God help any of us from being that way. Well, I don't need them, I'm just going to go on my own. I can win God's best, I know this, I'm just, I don't need to gather. Oh yes you do. That's where the heart of a perfect heart king is fostered. That's where love shed abroad is grown, the geyser comes forth. That's where it's truly exercised, that's where God proves us and that is the truth. We're tightly fit and compacted together; we're in the foxhole. We may have moments and all of that, but I'll tell you one thing, to win the fight there isn't anything else. There isn't anything else by the grace of God that truly that we enjoy more that we know the privilege to hold that fast which thou hast that no man take thou crown. You know, you're the most privileged, you're the most privileged person there's ever, ever, ever, ever, ever, ever, ever been. You're holding the crown to be glorified with your spouse, very God of very God; very God of very God that they could be made sight tonight? 42:05

That's who we are. We hold the crown in faith praise God to rule and reign jointly with I am that I am. That's who we are. That's the love and the passion that God is, yes, predestinated us to have. Predestinated us to go on for. And I thank Jesus with everything that's within me I get it that by the grace of God to win this I do need you. I need you, I need to be in that foxhole with you, not in a different foxhole because we only got one in

that one, and all tightly compacted and we're fit together, and it's perfect, and it's glorious, and we have one voice, and one praise, and one faith, and one hope, and we have just one thing; this one thing we do, right? We run to win. That's it, we press toward the mark for the prize for the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. And this is what this beautiful perfect hearted king is. 43:30

Without that mercy, without that love, without that grace brothers and sisters we'll never be clothed with all the riches of His glory; you won't have that. Perfect heart kings magnify the mercy and grace of God like none other. They magnify it all time. David, the benchmark king, no one magnified mercy like that brother. No one spoke of mercy, no one praised God for mercy, no one used the word mercy like that man did. Everything about his life was that mercy. He knew that that held him from the moment that he was there with those sheep as a little guy tearing up bears and tearing up lions. He knew that wasn't him, that was impossible; it had to be the mercy of the LORD. You're bringing me exactly the extreme opposite of what I am, what I deserve; I should be torn up here, but God. I should be defeated from Goliath, but God. And then it trained, and trained in his heart, and then we began to rule. Oh, by the grace of God I failed so miserably, I murdered my mighty man, I put him on the front line, I took his wife. Nathan the prophet comes to me and says you're the man, but God. Brothers and sisters, He's given us the exact the extreme opposite of what we deserve every moment of our life. Stay right there, pray for me this day right there. Mercy's going to win, and grace is God. 45:48

Last thing the burial. This'll just take a minute, but you got to go out with the twain. Was it twenty-one-gun salute? Is that tight? Second Chronicles Chapter Thirty-two. Let's read thirty-three. And Hezekiah slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the chiefest of the sepulchers' of the sons of David: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem did him honour at his death. And Manasseh his son reigned in his stead. The chiefest, that's the highest; it's the most elevated, it's the best place. The rank of the full overcomers, it's so glorious, hallelujah. That's where he was put, that's the place that he always had and thanks be to God, and all of Judah praised him. They did, they gave him glory, and God willing we'll go on to Josiah and you talk about a double portion all the way, because Hezekiah so magnificently has typed and shadowed all of those full overcomers of the Old Testament, and we'll see more and more through now as we turn to Josiah we'll see he got a double portion pretty much in everything he receives in what the LORD says about his life. And that's us, we got a better thing, Praise God. Let's stand and be dismissed. Thank You Jesus. 47:41