

“Fully Committed”

HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

SERMON NOTES

2 Chronicles 25:27-26:3

I. Chapter 26: The Challenge of “Pride”

A. The Early Years of God’s Blessing, (vs. 4-15)

1. Reasons for the blessings, (vs. 4-5)

a. #1 – Personal Experience, (v. 4), *“He did right in the sight of the Lord”*

b. #2 – Listened to Good Counsel, (v. 5), *“He continued to seek God in the days of Zechariah”*

1 Corinthians 11:1

Philippians 4:9

2 Timothy 2:2

Hebrews 13:7

2. Blessed in His Foreign Policy, (vs. 6-8)

a. (v. 6), *“He went out & warred against the Philistines and broke down the wall of Gath”*

2 Chronicles 25:8, 23

Ephesians 6:12

2 Corinthians 10:3-4

1 John 4:4

b. RE: Others, (v. 7), *“God helped him against the Philistines, and against the Arabians”*

3. Blessed in His Domestic Policy, (vs. 9-10)

a. Infrastructure, (v. 9), *“He built towers in Jerusalem at the Corner & Valley Gates”*

4. Blessed in His Military Policy, (vs. 11-15a)

B. Later Years of God's Discipline, (vs. 15b-23)

1. Old saying, "The bigger they are the harder they fall!" (vs. 15b-16), "...until he became strong....."

- a. Uzziah's becoming "*strong*" was his PRIDE!

- b. Uzziah "*acted corruptly*" improperly worshiping the Lord. There are only 4 ways to worship God...

John 4:23

Leviticus 10:1-2

1 Samuel 13:13-14

John 4:22

2. God's priests are His warriors, (v. 17), "*Then Azariah the priest entered after him*"

- a. Opposing those in power requires courage!

2 Chronicles 24:21

- b. Hear the words of Azariah, (v. 18), "*It is not for you, Uzziah, to burn incense to the Lord*"

Hebrews 13:15

Revelation 8:4

3. God Disciplines Uzziah, (vs. 19-23).

- a. (v. 19), "*But Uzziah with a censer in his hand for burning incense was enraged*"

- b. A moment's folly may bring a lifetime of sorrow (some of us know the truth of this).

CONCLUSIONS:

Revelation 12:11

John 4:14, 23, 29

John 3:36

Mark 16:16