

The Supplication of Hezekiah

Scripture Reading: 2 Kings 20:1-11

King Hezekiah kept the commandments of God and lived a life that pleased Him. He was struck by a deadly disease and death was waiting at his doorstep. Prophet Isaiah came to him and said that he would not live and therefore set right the things at home.

Then Hezekiah looked unto God in prayer. He spoke to God three things concerning himself:

1. I walked faithful before you.
2. I walked with wholehearted devotion.
3. I did that which was good in your eyes.

He spoke these things about him and asked God to therefore bless him with more days of life. It a very easy task to walk blameless and upright before men. People can never be watching over us at all times. But there is nothing that can be ever hidden from the sight of God. Everything is open and clear before His sight. Thus it is a challenging task to walk blameless and upright before God. Most of us desire to do what we think and feel is right. That too can be considered a task not so difficult. But it is always challenging to do according to God's desire.

Hezekiah says that he walked blameless and upright before God. If he can live like that, you too can live a life that is blameless and upright. Hezekiah lived likewise and God therefore answered his prayer. God added 15 years to the life of Hezekiah. God will answer your prayers when you live a life that is blameless and upright.

Can you say like Hezekiah said, "I have walked before you faithfully and with wholehearted devotion and have done what is good in your eyes"?

Questions:

1. How did Hezekiah live before God?
2. Why did God add 15 years to the life of Hezekiah?
3. Whom should your life please?