

**Scripture to read: 2 Kings 21: 1-18, 2 Chronicles 33:11-19**

### **Hezekiah's son Manasseh**

After the death of Hezekiah, his Son Manasseh comes to power when he was 12 years old. He did not live a life that was pleasing to the Lord as Hezekiah lived. rather he did what was evil in the Lord's sight by following the detestable practices of the other nations and He rebuilt the high places his father Hezekiah had destroyed; he also erected altars to Baal and made an Asherah pole. He sacrificed his own son in the fire, practiced divination, , and consulted mediums and spiritists. He did much evil in the eyes of the LORD, arousing his anger. In 2 Samuel 7:13,14 when the Lord spoke to Nathan the prophet in a vision and told " I will build a house for my name and it shall not be for the desire of any foreign Gods, Kings or for any individual. But everything that Manasseh did was against the Lord, along with this, he killed the innocent people as well.

### **Question:**

Did Manasseh repent and come before God?

### **Answer:**

In 2 Chronicles 33:11-19 Manasseh repented and prayed to the LORD his God and humbled himself, the LORD was moved by his entreaty and listened to his plea and forgave him. Children, When Manasseh sinned against God, in his anger he punished him at the same time when he repented of his sins, God forgives him, here we can see the wonderful personality of God. God will never forsake or forbid us immediately when we sin against him. It is his desire that we should repent of our sins and come to him. if we don't sin against him and live a pleasing life in his sight he will speak to us and we can live in his presence. Abiding in him is the most wonderful thing. Even you should abide and stay in the fellowship of God by forsaking sin in your life. If you sin against him unknowingly, and when you are convicted of it immediately ask God to forgive you. God is ready to forgive and accept you.

Through love and faithfulness sin is atoned for; through the fear of the LORD evil is avoided. Proverbs 16:06

### **Prayer**

Lord thank you for forgiving and accepting these sinners like us. help us to live a holy and a humble life as your children. Amen