

Sermon Title: Seek the Lord Sermon Date: May 20, 2018 Scripture: 2 Chronicles 26 Speaker: Pastor Rod Randall

1. When you imagine yourself shouldering a major responsibility like being a king, queen or president, what appeals to you about that? What doesn't?

READ 2 Chronicles 26:3-15

- 2. Verse 4 describes Uzziah as doing "what was right in the eyes of the Lord." Why is this impressive given his age? In what areas do you struggle to do what is right? (i.e. thought life, use of money, what you watch, what you say, treatment of others, etc.) Any helpful hints on how to improve?
- 3. How do we know that having Zachariah as a mentor really helped Uzziah? In what ways do you seek out instruction from people who fear the Lord? Do those you learn from know you personally? How might that make a difference in the instruction you receive?
- 4. Are there ways you can be like Zachariah to someone?
- 5. Why do you think seeking the Lord brought Uzziah success? Can you think of times when you've experienced the same thing?
- 6. Read Matthew 6:31-33. Why does God want us to seek Him before other needs? How can we do a better job of following through on this?
- 7. Why do you think 2 Chronicles 26:10 mentions that Uzziah "loved the soil" in the description of how God gave him success? What areas of enjoyment have you seen God bless? What does this tell us about our God?
- 8. Why do you think that Uzziah was so determined to burn incense himself?
- 9. Pride has come up before in the Mentor series (Hagar, Thomas). Why is the no-one-tells-me-what-to-do mindset such a problem with people in the Bible? With people today?
- 10. Does God's discipline of Uzziah surprise you? How does Proverbs 3:11-12 help us understand God's discipline?
- 11. With Uzziah, pride and being unfaithful to the Lord go hand in hand. Why are the two connected? Is pride an issue in making you unfaithful to the Lord? If not, what else might get in the way?
- 12. Thinking about Uzziah's story, what speaks to you the most?