# "What Have They Seen In Thy House?"

## TEXT: 2 Kings 20:12-15

### **INTRODUCTION:**

- A. BABYLON SAW WHAT WAS IN THE HEZEKIAH'S HOUSE AND WANTED.
- B. WHAT WOULD A VISITOR SEE IN OUR HOUSE?
  - 1. God already knows.
  - 2. What does God desire to see in our homes?

#### I. EACH PERSON IN HIS OR HER PROPER ROLE.

- A. GOD HAS A ROLE FOR WIVES( Eph. 5:22-24 ).
- B. FOR HUSBANDS( 5:25-27 ).
- C. CHILDREN( 6:1-3 ).
- D. FOR PARENTS( 6:4; 1 Tim. 5:8 ).
- II. RESPECT FOR OTHERS.
- A. THE GOLDEN RULE IS STILL GOLDEN(  $Matt.\ 7:12$  ).
- B. THE KEY TO THIS IS LOVE( 1 Cor. 13:4-7 ).
- C. SHOULD INCLUDE THOSE OUTSIDE THE FAMILY( Heb. 13:1-2 ).

### III. DISCIPLINE OF EACH ONE.

- A. BEGINS WITH SELF( 1 Cor. 9:25-27; Matt. 7:1-5 ).
- B. THE NEXT STEP IS PROPER TEACHING( Gen. 18:19; Deut. 6:4-7 ).
- C. THEN COMES THE HARD PART( Heb. 12:7-11 ).
  - 1. Bible emphasis( Prov. 22:15; 23:13-14 ).
    - 2. Speedily, fairly, surely( Ecc. 8:11 ).
  - 3. **Eberlein** on discipline mistakes.
- D. WHY IS THIS SO IMPORTANT? (Prov. 22:6).

### IV. SPIRITUAL FOCUS.

- A. A REVERENCE FOR GOD( Heb. 12:28-29; 10:31; Matt. 22:37-40 ).
  - 1. An appreciation for what he has done(**1 John 4:9-10; 19**).
  - 2. Submission to his will( **1 John 5:3** ).
- B. A LOVE FOR HIS WORD( Psa. 1:2-3 ).
- C. CONSECRATION( Gal. 2:20; 1 Thess. 5:17 ).
- D. RIGHT PRIORITIES( Matt. 6:33 ). IMPORTANT CHOICES( Josh 24:25 ).
- E. HEARTS TOO BUSY FOR WORLDLINESS( Phil. 4:8 ).
  - 1. Good literature and TV must be monitored.
  - 2. Worldly associations will be discouraged( **1 Cor. 15:33** ).
- F. A GOOD PARENTAL EXAMPLE IN ALL THESE THINGS( Eph. 5:1 ).

#### CONCLUSION: WHAT WOULD GOD FIND IN MY HOUSE?