

King Uzziah— Most people have heard of Uzziah because of the well-known chapter 6 of Isaiah. But let's dig a bit deeper. (see comparative kings chart)

2 Chron. 26:1-18 King Uzziah.

(Reigned some 20 years before the fall of Israel the northern kingdom—see chart)

Verse 5-is a key verse: “He sought God during the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the fear of God. As long as he **sought** the Lord, God gave him success.”

(daras=seek with care and application)

Amos 5:4-6 (NIV) (Evangelistic) (date, probably around 780 BC. **Prophecy to Israel:**

This was during the northern kingdom's last days. Jeroboam II was king, and Uzziah was king of Judah. Judgment was swiftly coming on Israel. The last hope for individuals was to repent and **SEEK God!** Don't trust in cities but seek God and live. This prophecy of Amos was mostly about judgment, but in the midst of the upcoming judgment, God challenges them to seek Him!

“**Seek** (daras) me and live;

⁵ do not seek Bethel, do not go to Gilgal, do not journey to Beersheba.

For Gilgal will surely go into exile, and Bethel will be reduced to nothing.”

⁶ **Seek** (daras) the Lord and live, or he will sweep through the tribes of Joseph like a fire; it will devour them, and Bethel will have no one to quench it.

Zephaniah 2:3 (NIV).

(date, maybe around 630 BC. **A prophecy to Judah** probably at the beginning of Josiah's reign. See 1:12, the people were complacent, but judgment was coming. Before the judgment God, God challenges them to **SEEK** Him.

“**Seek** (baqas) the Lord, all you humble of the land,
you who do what he commands.

Seek (baqas) righteousness, seek humility;
perhaps you will be sheltered
on the day of the Lord's anger.”

Lamentations 3:22-24 CEV (when **Judah** was in the process of being taken captive to Babylon)

The Lord's kindness never fails!

If he had not been merciful,

we would have been destroyed.^[a]

²³ **The Lord can always be trusted**

to show mercy each morning.

²⁴ Deep in my heart I say,

“The Lord is all I **need** (Heb heleq = my portion, part, award);

I can **depend** (Heb yahal = one's hope, to wait in hope, tarry) on him!”

(hence, it's basically saying: “The Lord is my hope, I will wait on him”)

Riches or God

1 Tim 6:17 NIV ¹⁷ “Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope (elpizo) in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their **hope** (Gk elpizo) in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.”
(Elpizo=to wait for salvation with joy and full confidence. One “hope” is uncertain, the other “hope” is certain)

Heb. 13:5,6 “*Make sure that your character is free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said, “I will never desert you, nor will I ever abandon you,”* ⁶ so that we confidently say, “The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid. What will man do to me?” (**To me the Hebrew writer is clearly talking more than just money.**)

Quest. What are we depending upon to draw near to God; what are we depending on to be free from sin’s penalty and to be accepted by God?

Read 4:14-16)

Hebrews 4:16 “Let us **approach** (Gk. proserchomai) the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in time of need.”
Gk. Proserchomai = approach, draw near, come.

Heb. 9:27-28 (NIV)

²⁷ “Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment,²⁸ so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many; and he will appear (optanomai) a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are **waiting** (apekdeckomai) for him.”

Optanomai=to look at, to appear

Apekdeckomai=patiently waiting for

Read Heb. 10:11-23

Heb. 10:22 “let us **draw near** (Heb proserchomai) to God with a sincere heart...to cleanse us (i.e. hearts sprinkled with the blood of Jesus) from a guilty conscience”.

“**Sincere** heart” (Gk. alethinos [adjective] = real, true genuine, opposite what is fictitious or pretentious, not counterfeit.

Perhaps read the context:

Heb. 11:6

“And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who **comes** (Heb proserchomai) to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him”. → “**Diligently (or earnestly) seek him**” (Gk ekzeteo) → to search for; to crave, to beg!!!

James 4:6b-10 “⁶ But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says:

“God opposes the proud

but shows favor to the humble.”^[a]

⁷ ****Submit** (Gk hypotasso) yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from

you.⁸ ** **Come** (Gk engizo) near to God and he will come near to you. **Wash** (Gk katharidzo) your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹ Grieve, mourn and wail.

Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰ ****Humble** (Gk tapeinoo) yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

1 Peter 2:2, KJV **3-5** NASB “As newborn babes **desire** [**crave** NIV] (Heb epipothēo) the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby.” ³ if you have tasted [a]the kindness of the Lord. ⁴ And **coming** (Gk proserchomai) to Him as to a living stone which has been rejected by people, but is [c]hosen and precious in the sight of God, ⁵ you also, as living stones, [b]are being built up as a spiritual house for a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices that are acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 5:5-7

v.7 “**Cast** (Gk. epirhripto) all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.”

Quest. How often are we anxious in our daily lives? →so, we need to constantly be casting our anxiety on Him.

2 John 9 “⁹ Anyone who runs ahead and does not **continue** (meno) in the teaching of Christ does not have God; whoever continues in the teaching has both the Father and the Son. (“perseverance of the saints”). If this is not talking about salvation, it still is not good!

United Kingdom				
Years (BC)	King	Start / End	Prophet	Scripture
1050 - 1010	Saul	Good / Evil	Samuel	1 Sa 8-31 1 Ch 9-10
1010 - 970	David (Captain)	Good / Good	Samuel	1 Sa 16-31 2 Sa 1-24 1 Ki 1-2 1 Ch 11-29
			Nathan	
970 - 930	Solomon (Son)	Good / Evil	Nathan	1 Ki 1-11 2 Ch 1-9

Divided Kingdom												
Judah					Israel							
Years	King	Start / End	Prophet	Scripture	Years	King	Start / End	Prophet	Scripture			
931 - 913	Rehoboam (Son)	Evil / Evil	Shemaiah	1 Ki 12, 14 2 Ch 10-12	931 - 910	Jeroboam I (servant)	Evil / Evil	Ahijah	1 Ki 12-14 2 Ch 10			
913 - 911	Abijah (Son)	Evil / Evil		1 Ki 15 2 Ch 13								
911 - 870	Asa (Son)	Good/Good	Hanani	1 Ki 15 2 Ch 14-16	910 - 909	Nadab (son)	Evil / Evil		1 Ki 15			
					909 - 886	Baasha	Evil / Evil	Jehu	1 Ki 16			
					886 - 885	Elah (Son)	Evil / Evil		1 Ki 16			
					885	zimri (captain)	Evil / Evil	Micaiah	1 Ki 16			
					885 - 874	Omri (Captain)	Evil / Evil	Elijah 1 Ki 17-19 1 Ki 21	1 Ki 16			
870 - 848	Jehoshaphat (Son)	Good/Good		1 Ki 22 2 Ch 17-20	874 - 853	Ahab (Son)	Evil / Evil		1 Ki 17 2 Ch 18			
848 - 841	Jehoram (Son)	Evil / Evil	Obadiah(?)	2 Ki 8 2 Ch 21	853 - 852	Ahaziah (Son)	Evil / Evil		1 Ki 22 2 Ki 1			
841	Ahaziah (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 8-9 2 Ch 22	852 - 841	Joram (Son of Ahab)	Evil / Evil	Elisha 1 Ki 19 2 Ki 2-9 2 Ki 13	2 Ki 3			
841 - 835	Athaliah (mother)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 11 2 Ch 22-23	841 - 814	Jehu (Captain)	Good / Evil		2 Ki 9-10			
835 - 796	Joash (son of Ahaziah)	Good / Evil	Joel	2 Ki 11-12 2 Ch 23-24	814 - 798	Jehoahaz (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 13			
796 - 767	Amaziah (Son)	Good / Evil		2 Ki 14 2 Ch 25	798 - 782	Jehoash (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 13-14			
767 - 740	Uzziah aka Azariah (Son)	Good/Evil	Isaiah Micah	2 Ki 15 2 Ch 26	782 - 753	Jeroboam II (Son)	Evil / Evil	Amos Hosea Jonah (2 Kings 14:25; Jonah 1:1)	2 Ki 14			
					753 - 752	Zechariah (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 15			
					752	Shallum	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 15			
					752 - 742	Menahem	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 15			
					742 - 740	Pekahiah (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 15			
					742 - 740	Pekah (Captain)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 15			
732 - 716	Ahaz (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 16 2 Ch 28 Is 7	732 - 722	Hoshea	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 17			
716 - 687	Hezekiah (Son)	Good/Good		2 Ki 18-20 2 Ch 29-32 Is 36-39	Israel into Assyrian captivity - 722 BC							
687 - 642	Manasseh (Son)	Evil / Good		2 Ki 21 2 Ch 33				Nahum				
642 - 640	Amon (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 21 2 Ch 33								
640 - 608	Josiah (Son)	Good/Good		2 Ki 22-23 2 Ch 34-35								
608	Jehoahaz (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 23 2 Ch 36								
608 - 597	Jehoiakim (Son of Josiah)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 23-24 2 Ch 36								
597	Jehoiachin (Son)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 24-25 2 Ch 36				Daniel				
597 - 586	Zedekiah (Son of Josiah)	Evil / Evil		2 Ki 24-25 2 Ch 36								
Judah into Babylonian captivity - 586 BC												
586-450			Jeremiah Haggai Zechariah Malachi									

