

made so evident the fact that the scheme had absolutely failed and ~~that God~~ it brought about the exact opposite of what its plan of intent was. So at this spot there these men met with Hezekiah's representatives and they gave their declarations blaspheming God and declaring Hezekiah's ~~in~~ inability to protect the land calling on the people to surrender. From a human viewpoint very good advise, from a human viewpoint there was no hope for them. But Hezekiah instead of surrendering or committing suicide, instead of going to one extreme or the other, Hezekiah took the letter and laid it before the Lord. The prophet sent Isaiah and we read in Ist Chronicles 32, "the Lord sent an angel which cut off all the mighty men of battle and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of Assyria. So he returned with shame of face to his own land and when he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth of his own bowels slew him there with the sword." As you read this statement here in Chronicles, "the Lord sent an angel which cut off all the mighty men of valor and the leaders and captains in the camp of Assyria", it says just before it how the prophet Isaiah, the son of Amos prayed and cried to heaven. You would think that this is immediately after ~~this~~ the statement of his representatives. You would get the picture here that the representatives came up, stood there, declared that Hezekiah should surrender, instead of surrendering, Hezekiah went and prayed to God. Isaiah also prayed. God gave Isaiah the message, and immediately the Lord sent an angel which cut off all the mighty men of valor and the leaders and captains of the camp of the king of Assyria. You ~~would~~ would think that this happened immediately, wouldn't you. There was the prayer and there was the deliverance. ~~Some~~ Some of us would say, no, there were three years in between. You would say, how perfectly absurd. When two things are stated right next to each other, of course, they occur together. Then when you read on, "he returned with shame of face to his own land and when he was come into the house of his god, they that came forth of his own bowels slew him there with the sword", you would say