

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

RESILIENT WEEK 3

*While anyone can take time to answer these questions individually, these questions are best discussed in a group! Not in a group yet? We want you in one! Head over to **southeastchristian.org** to join a group in person or online, wherever you are - today!*

What's the craziest risk you've ever taken? What made you decide to step out and do something like that? Can you remember the desperation you felt in that moment? What was that like? What were you desperate to see happen? Who (or what) did you turn to in that moment of desperation?

Read 2 Chronicles 32:1-8. What led King Hezekiah to a moment of desperation? How would you have felt had you been in his position during the siege of Jerusalem? What were some of the initial steps he took when the siege began? How did this benefit his people?

Hezekiah sought out wise and godly advice. Why is it so important for the advice we seek to have both those qualities? What happens if advice is godly but not wise? What if the advice is wise but not godly? How do we recognize advice that fulfills both those characteristics?

Is desperation a feeling we tend to embrace or avoid? Why? In what ways has our culture trained us to believe that desperation is (or isn't) a desirable characteristic? Would you say that you feel desperate for God (on an average day)? What kind of situations cause you to be more aware of your desperation for Him?

Read 2 Chronicles 32:9-23. How did King Sennacherib try to discourage King Hezekiah? How did King Hezekiah respond? How did God ultimately deliver both King Hezekiah and the people of Jerusalem? Has there ever been a time in your life where God did something miraculous to deliver you from what seemed like an impossible situation?

Carl closed with a prayer from the Welsh revival: "Lord, Bend Me." Why is it so important that we allow God to form us and use us in this way? What keeps us from giving Him complete control? Close your time together in prayer by praying this simple prayer for (and over) one another.