King Hezekia and the deliverance of Jerusalem Code: 10/OT/6

(2Kings 18-20; 2Chronicles 29-32, Is. 36-39)

1. General Aims of the unit

Better Understanding of the "Old Testament" and detailed study the life of great kings of Judah

2. Special aims of the lesson

- 1. A brief about the 2 kingdoms of Israel after division the Northern kingdom (10 tribes- Israel) and the Southern kingdom (2 tribes- Judah)
- 2. The time of Hezekia the king: the Northern kingdom was captive by Assyria. Then Assyria (the strongest empire at that time) plan to attack and captured Judah.
- 3. Emphasize the fact that captivity to Pagan empires was a result of the deviation of the Israelites from the worship of God and turning to worship idols.
- 4. Study the life of King Hezekia in details,
 - ❖ his great zeal to restore the worship of God and abolish any traces of idol's practices (2 Kings 18:1-8; 2 Chronicles29-31)
 - ❖ his reaction to the threat of the king of Assyria and his great trust in the power of God to deliver Jerusalem and asking the prayers and intercession of Isaiah the prophet. (2 kings 19:1-37).
 - ❖ his trust in the power of prayers, and the acceptance of the Lord to add 15 years to his life (remember his noble aim of extra life was to have the Messiah from his descendants)(2 kings 20:1-11)
 - ❖ the result of his mistake as his heart was lifted up. (2 Chronicles 32:25; 2 kings 20:12-18)

3.Outcomes

By the end of this lesson the teens are able to:

- 1. Draw a picture for the spiritual strengths and weakness of king Hezekia. Discuss the consequences of each of them on the king himself and on the kingdom.
- 2. Debate the outcomes of deviation from the true worshipping of the Lord and its features in our spiritual life.

4. Verses:

2 Chronicles 29:10-11 36;30:26; 31:21; 2Kings 19:34

5.References:

- 1.Refer to the notes "kings of Israel"
- 2. Any commentary on the 2 kings, 2 Chronicles, Isaiah and /or King Hezekia