

"And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it: and Hezekiah went up unto the House of the LORD, and Spread It Before The LORD. And Hezekiah prayed unto the LORD, saying, 'O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, That Dwellest between the cherubims, Thou Art the God, even Thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: Thou Hast Made heaven and earth.'" *Isaiah 37:14-16 KJV*



We often hesitate to petition God for help until there is no place else to go. We exhaust every possible human avenue including, but not limited to, our own efforts and wisdom, even though Jesus bids us, "Come unto Me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I Will Give you Rest." Peter admonishes believers, "Humble yourselves therefore under the Mighty Hand of God, that He May Exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon Him; for He Careth for you." Human reason says "Our need is impossible, so why bother?" Why not? "With God Nothing Shall Be Impossible! My God Shall Supply all your needs according to His Riches In Glory By Christ Jesus." What is it that halts our faith and trust in God concerning the seemingly impossible? Is it our pride that prevents our trust? Or do we know that it isn't God's will for our lives and never was! "IF we ask any thing ACCORDING TO HIS WILL, He heareth us. IF I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me." We trust God for our eternal soul, but balk at relinquishing our physical care to His Control. Sometimes God lets us beat ourselves to death trying to do what only He can, just so when it does happen, we can only give Him the Credit And Glory! When my children were small they would often bring things to me they couldn't do, but as they got older, not so much. "And Jesus Called a little child unto Him, and Set him in the midst of them, and Said, 'Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the Kingdom of Heaven.'" Satan still whispers, "Hast God said?" and we still pause to consider the question! "Foolish and unlearned questions avoid." We need but recount past provision to reinforce present trust! Hezekiah could do nothing against the threats he received, so he took them to the LORD. It's really the first and only place we should go! The more we do it, the greater our success! Father CAN and WANTS to do it!

Take all your sorrow, pain, and care,
To God above and leave it there,
He'll gladly all your burdens bear,
And you'll have Peace beyond compare! –CGP

As world governments spiral into the abyss of tyranny and wickedness, we should rightly resist, but have we thought to "spread it before the LORD?" I fear the majority of believers have not. We live indeed, in perilous times! Crime is escalating beyond reason as even law enforcement lawlessly imposes unlawful government rule upon citizens. World-wide persecution of believers is increasing at alarming rates as Christians are butchered and their buildings and homes burned in the name of religion! "As it was in the days of Noe...the thoughts and imaginations...were only evil continually." Almost 2000 years ago the Apostle James wrote, "Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the Coming of the Lord Draweth Nigh." Until that time, let us ponder and heed Jehovah's Instruction and Promise:

"If My People, which are called by My Name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My Face, and turn from their wicked ways; then Will I Hear From Heaven, and Will Forgive their sin, and Will Heal their land." *2 Chronicles 7:14 KJV*