

Josiah: The Prophecy of God

1 Kings 13, 2 Kings 23:15-20, Isaiah 48:3-5

7 demonstrations of God's great power in a sinful, idolatrous society

1. The Lord sends His messengers to boldly cry out against sin and to show the truth of His great power. 1, 3
2. The Lord makes specific prophecies about His servants and the house of David – centuries in advance – so that men may know that He is the Lord God of Hosts. 2
3. There is no might or power that can succeed against the Hand of the Lord and His plans. All human might withers in His Presence. 4
4. The Lord will fulfill His prophecies to show His great might. 5
5. The Lord is merciful; He will show His mercy to those who ask Him, even though they have rebelled against the Lord. 6
6. The Lord God sends His messengers to obey Him and honor Him and, at times, He demonstrates His truthfulness and His power by making a remarkable example of His disobedient servants. 7-32
7. The Lord fulfills His prophecies – given centuries in advance – to demonstrate that He rules in the affairs of men. 2 Kings 23:15-20

The point: You can place your trust in prophecies and promises of the Lord, and rest in His plans for dealing with a rebellious society.