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## **Our C-19 Opportunity 2 Chronicles 32:1-23**

### **Introduction:**

- C-19 has hit us like an Oregon Coast rogue wave!
- Instead of just surviving, how do we turn this into an opportunity?
- Look at the example of Hezekiah, King of Judah

### **Historical Background on Hezekiah:**

- King of Judah around 700 BC
- Came to the throne at age 25
- Did his best to turn the nation back to God
- Attacked by the Assyrians at age 39

### **Five opportunities that a rogue wave (crisis) provides**

#### **1. The Opportunity to Trust in God**

*“With him is an arm of flesh, but with us is the Lord our God, to help us and to fight our battles...” (vs. 8)*

**Principle: Rogue waves reveal what’s real.**

#### **2. The Opportunity to Show Wisdom**

*“He planned with his officers and his mighty men to stop the water of the springs that were outside the city...and they stopped all the springs and the brook that flowed through the land. He set to work resolutely and built up all the wall that was broken down and raised towers upon it and outside built another wall. He made weapons and shields in abundance and he set combat troops over the people. “ (vs. 3-5)*

#### **3. The Opportunity to Help**

*“A great many people were gathered, and they stopped all the springs...” (vs. 4)*

**Principle: Helping others in a crisis highlights Christ.**

#### **4. The Opportunity to Pray**

*“Then Hezekiah the king and Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, prayed because of this and cried to heaven.” (vs. 20)*

#### **5. The Opportunity to Have, and Give, Hope**

*“With him is an arm of flesh, but with us is the Lord our God, to help us and to fight our battles. And the people took confidence from the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.” (vs. 8)*