RUINED BY PROSPERITY
Text: 2 Chronicles 26:14-16

INTRO: King Uzziah was also known as Azariah, 2 Kings 15.

I. UZZIAH’S REIGN AS KING OF JUDAH.
   A. General Observations:
      1. His reign brot the most prosperity to Judah that had been experienced since the time of Solomon, about 150 years earlier.
      2. He became king at the age of 16 & reigned 52 years
      3. For most of this time he sought & served God, 4-5 high places, 2 Kings 15:3-4
   B. His Accomplishments, vs. 6-15
   C. His Pride & Arrogance, vs. 16-20
   D. His End, vs. 21

II. SOME SIMILAR EXAMPLES.
   A. King Herod Agrippa I of Acts 12.
   C. Pat Boone
   D. Churches of Christ after WWII.

III. SOME LESSONS FOR US.
   A. God will bless us as we seek Him & serve Him His way.
   B. We need to realize that “our accomplishments” are really His accomplishments thru us. If we quit serving Him faithfully, in due time, we will undoubtedly fail.
   C. We must evaluate our abilities & opportunities & make a continual, conscious effort to keep doing God’s will God’s way.

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