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.
- B. Henry VII of England.
- 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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