## Hezekiah and Spiritual Renewal: Evidence of a Changed Heart

2 Chronicles 31:1-12, 20-21

## **Discussion Questions**

## The Essentials

- 1) How did the Israelites turn from their idols? What can we learn from their attitude?
- 2) What was an Asherah pole? Why would this have caused problems for the Israelites in the North Kingdom to cut them down?
- **3)** How did the Israelites give generously? What are the *firstfruits*?
- 4) What does this teach us about how God often blesses His people?

## **Going Deeper**

- 5) The puritan John Owen gave this practical instruction to help us turn from idols: "Guard against the occasions and opportunities of your sin." What might this look like in your situation?
- **6)** Why did Hezekiah order the Israelites to give proportionately to the priests? What is the principle underlying this order?
- 7) Do you know what happened to Hezekiah later in his life? How does this parallel with King David? How is this a warning for us? Read Psalm 51:10 and use it as a basis for a time of prayer.

**Memory Verse:** Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Psalm 51:10

**Prayer Point:** Please for the Christmas Concert on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. The theme is 'A Hope for Christmas'. Pray that people who don't know Jesus will hear about the light that has come into this world.