

AMAZIAH

- the king who wouldn't listen

2 Chronicles 25

Listening is vital! *Rev 2-3; Mat 13.9*
it's more than merely hearing
we must engage our minds *Lk 4.20*
and our wills *Mat 7.21-27*

Amaziah wouldn't listen *v20*
because he wasn't wholehearted *v2*

1. HIS CHARACTER, vs2-10

➤ marks of unspirituality

- **revenge** *vs 3-4; Rom 12.19-21*
- **relied on own resources** *v5*
instead of on the Lord *16.9;*
20.12,15,17-18
Zech 4.6; 2 Cor 12.9-10
- **reckoned money could buy**
success *v6; Acts 3.6*

➤ **lessons to learn**

- **the Lord's army must consist of the Lord's people v7**

18.1,31; 22.5,7-9; John 17.20-21

- **the Lord can help or overthrow v8**
his will or ours?

- **the Lord can always give us more than our money can buy v9**

Ps 50.10; Phil 4.19

2. HIS BATTLES, vs11-13

➤ **he picked the wrong one**

- **defence needed v13**

not attack vs 11-12

pastoral care and evangelism

3. HIS DOWNFALL, vs14-27

➤ **false gods: faulty thinking vs14-15**

Rom 1.21-23; Ps 110.11; Is 33.5-6

Col 2.3

➤ **false gods: refusal to listen vs16-20**

godly prophet v16; ungodly king v20
1 Peter 5.5; 2 Chron 7.14; Rev 3.16