

# UZZIAH

- his pride was his downfall

*2 Chronicles 26*

***Uzziah = the Lord is my strength v5***

## 1. The Secret of his Success, v5

- ***he set himself to seek the Lord***  
***- the source of his power vs8,15,16***  
***16.9; 7.14***
- ***he studied God's Word v5; 24.2***  
***- the inspiration for his seeking***  
***a top priority for us too***  
***Josh 1.8; Ps 1.1-3; John 15.5-8***

## 2. The Scope of his Success, vs2,6-15

- ***domestic development, vs 9-10***
  - capital fortifications v9***
  - water supply and storage v10***
  - agricultural initiatives v10***

- **international trade, v2**  
     - ***a true visionary 1 Ki 9.26***
- **an outstanding army, vs11-15**  
     - ***well trained, well organised v11***  
     - ***well equipped v14***  
     - ***well advanced technologically v15***
- **military victories, vs6-8**  
     - ***thanks to God's help vs 7,15***

### **3. The Tragedy of his Success, vs16-23**

- **it went to his head! *pride v16***  
     ***Prov 16.18; 1 Cor 10.11-12;***  
     ***John 15.5; 1 Pet 5.5-6***
- **stay humble *7.14; 17.6***
- ***the sin of a middle aged man v16***  
     ***arrogance – I can do anything now***  
     ***we're never above God's Law***  
     ***James 1.21-22***
- ***the sin of mistaken devotion***  
     ***we must always serve God's way***  
     ***Prov 14.12; 12.15; John 4.23-24***