



**Lesson 14: When God's Axe Falls**  
**2 Chronicles 36**

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when people continue to reject His Word, judgment is certain.*

**1. GOD IS PATIENT AND COMPASSIONATE TOWARD SINFUL PEOPLE.**

**2. PEOPLE CONTINUE TO REJECT GOD'S WORD.**

**Four Reasons Why Would People Reject God's Gracious Offer Of Forgiveness?**

- A. People reject God's Word because of pride (36:12).
  
- B. People reject God's Word because of hard hearts (36:13).
  
- C. People reject God's Word because of worldly influence (36:14).

D. People reject God's Word because they don't take God's warnings seriously (36:16).

### **3. IF PEOPLE IGNORE GOD'S WORD, JUDGMENT IS CERTAIN.**

A. God's judgment is expressed temporally and eternally.

- *Temporal judgment.*

- *Eternal judgment.*

B. God's judgment is certain because of His character.

### **Discussion Questions**

1. Should we bring up the subject of hell when we witness? If so, when and how?
2. We often hear that God's love is unconditional. Is it? What does that mean?
3. How would you answer the charge that God is unfair if good people suffer along with the wicked in His temporal judgment?
4. What would you say to a person who said, "I believe in a God of love, not a God of vengeance and punishment"?