



**Lesson 6: Amaziah: Half-Hearted Commitment**  
**2 Chronicles 25**

*Half-hearted commitment results in inevitable ruin.*

**A PORTRAIT OF HALF-HEARTED COMMITMENT**

- 1. Half-heartedness means a little bit of obedience.*
  - 2. Half-heartedness means being ambitious for yourself, but not for the Lord.*
  - 3. Half-heartedness means following human wisdom, not God's wisdom.*
  - 4. Half-heartedness means concern for expedience over obedience.*
  - 5. Half-heartedness means being susceptible to the evils you campaign against.*
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*6. Half-heartedness means rejecting the counsel of God in favor of the counsel of men.*

*7. Half-hearted commitment means falling prey to pride.*

## **A PORTRAIT OF THE RESULTING RUIN**

**1. Immediate results:** *God's people were defeated and defenseless.*

*25:23-24*

**2. Long-range results:** *Wasted years and a pointless death for Amaziah. 25:25, 27, 28*

### **Discussion Questions**

1. What is the difference between being wise in using all of the latest available methods and God's wisdom? Are the two necessarily in opposition? What is the sanctifying factor?
  2. What is the difference between being ambitious for yourself and for the Lord, especially in Christian work?
  3. What does being fully committed to the Lord mean? How can it be measured?
  4. Does full commitment mean going "full-bore" all the time? How do we achieve the proper balance between full commitment and necessary rest/recreation?
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