I. A change of authors occurs in Book 3.

A. Hezekiah's story provides the backdrop for the information being presented.

1. 2 Kings 16 begins to tell Hezekiah's story with his father, Ahaz.

a. “Like father like son” does not apply to Hezekiah.

2. Hezekiah's own story is found in 2 Kings 18-20 and 2 Chronicles 29-31

a. Comparing the two accounts of his reign tells the entire story.

3. Kings and Chronicles look at history from two vantage points.

a. How we see ourselves and others is different than God's perspective.

b. How we see the events of history is different than God's perspective.

II. Perhaps the best port of entrance into Book 3 is Proverbs 29:18.

A. Given Hezekiah's background, this verse is the voice of experience speaking.

B. The word *chazown* means a dream, revelation, oracle, or prophesy.

1. It is used to designate the revelation of God's will to the prophets.

a. See Isaiah 1:1; Nahum 1:1

C. In the days of the Judges the people did what was right in their own eyes.

D. Lamentations decries this reality: Lamentations 2:9.

E. Ezekiel 7:26

III. The connection of the Christmas story is found in 2 Kings 19:21.

A. The "Virgin Daughter of Zion" is the essential link in God's final revelation.

B. Luke 1:26ff. tells of the moment revelation came to Nazareth.

IV. Revelation 19:13-16 REVEALS to us the full extent of the baby's name.

A. Comparing John 1:1-14 with Revelation 19:13-16 compares to Kings/Chronicles.

B. Hebrews 1:1-3 ties the extent of revelation together.

V. Revelation is information we would never know through observation and intuition.

VI. Without revelation the people perish.

**O Come All Ye Faithful**

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| O come, all ye faithful, Joyful and triumphant,  O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  Come and behold Him, born the king of angels;  O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him  O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord. | Sing, choirs of angels, sing in exultation,  Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above;  Glory to God, glory in the highest;  O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him  O come, let us adore, Christ, the Lord. |

Yea, Lord, we greet Thee, born this happy morning,

Jesus, to Thee be all glory given;

Son of the Father, now in flesh appearing;

O come, let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him,

O come, let us adore Him, Christ, the Lord