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2 Chronicles 25:14-16

"Now it came to pass, after Amaziah was come from the slaughter of the Edomites, that he brought the gods of the children of Seir, and set them up to be his gods, and bowed before them, and burned incense to them. Therefore, the anger of the LORD was kindled against Amasiah, and He sent a prophet who said to him, "Why have you sought after gods of a people which could not deliver their own people out of your hand?" 2 Chronicles 25:14-16

Amazing! Does anything else need to be said? How is it that men can be so foolish? And yet, unless we believe amiss that this type of foolhardiness is relegated to the ancients we should look a bit closer to home.

Christians may desperately seek the LORD to meet their need for a house, and then once the provision is manifest – often by no small act of the LORD, they soon are too busy enjoying the "good life" to remember their beginnings and so fall away from the basics of giving or from church fellowship altogether! Another may seek the LORD for a husband or wife only to fall away from their faith after He graciously answers their longing of heart!

No son, this incredulous story is repeated over and over. I could name with Amaziah, the wise King Solomon, or I could name many contemporaries, but let us look even closer... may we guard our own heart's lest the goodness of the Saviour be taken for granted and our lives become a parable or a by-word like Amaziah.

"Lord, may our hearts stay true through the time of blessing and victory, through the times of trouble and pain."

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