

Focus Points

"Focus Points" are short activities that draw students into the lesson. They take only a few minutes to do. Many can be used as quick-start activities to engage the students and focus their attention at the beginning of class. Others may fit well during the lesson to reinforce a point and drive it home. Still others may serve as good wrap-up activities. "Focus Points" come in many forms. Choose and use them as you see fit.

Focus Point – When the Assyrian Comes into Our Land

Where did it happen?
Map

Place the numbers next to the correct locations on the map below. How many can you do without looking in a Bible atlas?

- 1 = ASSYRIA** – Where Israelites and Jews were deported in the days of King Hezekiah (2 Kings 17:22-23 and the Sennacherib prisms).
- 2 = DAMASCUS** – Conquered by the Assyrians in the days of King Ahaz, Hezekiah's Father (2 Kings 16:8-9).
- 3 = SAMARIA** – Capital of the northern kingdom of Israel, conquered by the Assyrians, c.722 B.C. (2 Kings 18:9-12).
- 4 = BABYLON** – One of many foreign places from which people were brought to Samaria after it was conquered by the Assyrians (2 Kings 17:24).
- 5 = HAMATH** – One of many cities whose gods were powerless to save them from the Assyrians (2 Kings 18:33-35).
- 6 = LACHISH** – Besieged and conquered by Sennacherib's army just before the siege of Jerusalem. Part of the Assyrian conquest of Judah (2 Kings 18:13-14).
- 7 = JERUSALEM** – Besieged by the Assyrians in the days of King Hezekiah but saved by God, c.701 B.C. (2 Kings 18:17; 2 Kings 19:32-35).
- 8 = NINEVEH** – Capital of the Assyrian Empire (2 Kings 19:36).

