

## 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? Match and Map

Match the places with their descriptions. Then locate the places on the map below.  
How many can you do without looking in a Bible atlas?

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| ___ 1 – ASSYRIA   | A – 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). |
| ___ 2 – DAMASCUS  |   |
| ___ 3 – SAMARIA   | B – 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).                      |
| ___ 4 – BABYLON   |   |
| ___ 5 – HAMATH    | C – Capital of the Assyrian Empire (2 Kings 19:36).   |
| ___ 6 – LACHISH   | D – Capital of the northern kingdom of Israel, conquered by the Assyrians, c.722 B.C. (2 Kings 18:9-12).  |
| ___ 7 – JERUSALEM | E – Conquered by the Assyrians in the days of King Ahaz, Hezekiah's Father (2 Kings 16:8-9).  |
| ___ 8 – NINEVEH   | F – One of many cities whose gods were powerless to save them from the Assyrians (2 Kings 18:33-35).  |
|                   | G – One of many foreign places from which people were brought to Samaria after it was conquered by the Assyrians (2 Kings 17:24).               |
|                   | H – Where Israelites and Jews were deported in the days of King Hezekiah (2 Kings 17:22-23 and the Sennacherib prisms).                         |



Answers: 1 = H, 2 = E, 3 = D, 4 = G, 5 = F, 6 = A, 7 = B, 8 = C.