## JERUSALEM'S FALL

2 Kings 24:18-20; 25:1-9

**LESSON AIM:** To discuss the facts about King Zedekiah, explain the circumstances surrounding the exile, and evaluate our actions.

**KEY VERSE:** "It was because of the LORD's anger that all this happened to Jerusalem and Judah, and in the end he thrust them from his presence. Now Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon." - 2 Kings 24:20

## **CONCEPTS:**

- 1. Those who God allows to lead will sometimes do evil instead of following His ways (vv. 24:18,19).
- 2. God is patient with mankind, but it will not last forever (v. 20).
- 3. God can use anyone that He desires to carry out His punishment (vv. 25:1).
- 4. We will suffer the consequences of our sin if we fail to repent (vv. 25:2-6).
- 5. God allows terrible things (i.e. eternal destruction) to happen to us when we fail to repent (vv. 25:7-9).

