The Man God Uses Lorne Sanny

I. Introduction.

- A. Topic: a man that God uses and a man that God can no longer use.
- B. Text: 2 Chronicles 26.

II. The man that God can use.

A. This man seeks a man for encouragement and counsel. Uzziah sought God in the days of Zechariah.

B. This man experiences victory only as long as he seek the Lord.

1. Uzziah's victory:

- a. Uzziah was successful in war.
- b. He built cities among the Philistines.
- c. He had a good reputation.
- d. He was wise.
- 2. When God prospers a man, He really prospers him.

3. One of the greatest things that God can bless us with is men who really know how to go out to spiritual war by bands.

C. This man seeks a band of men.

1. One gets men by asking for them.

2. The purpose of the church is to penetrate the world with the gospel, and men are the means by which this happens.

3. The basic unit of the Navigators is a guy in a place and his handful of men.

III. The man that God cannot use.

- A. This man is a presumptuous man. Uzziah invaded the priestly responsibility.
- B. Three main things that cause a man to fall:
 - 1. Money.
 - 2. Women.

3. Pride.

C. Uzziah's fall was a result of pride.

1. The first step to humility is humiliation.

2. We can return to the Lord without limit.

D. Uzziah's fall may have been a result of isolation and not making his spiritual life his own.

1. Aloneness is often most pronounced in the midst of a lot of people.

2. One of the best places to learn to seek God is under pressure.

Application questions

1. What characterizes the man God can use?

2. What characterizes the man God cannot use?

3. What do you need to do in your life to become a man that God can use and prevent from becoming the opposite? What will you do this week?