"THE BENEFITS OF SERVING GOD WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO"

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<mark>2 Chron 20:11-12</mark>

Three enemy armies were coming to fight against God's people. (2 Chron. 20:1-4)

King Jehoshaphat knew and understood that he was powerless against this great army that came against him. This King did not have the 'know it all' mentally. He understood that God was the only one that could help him. He said, "...for we are powerless before these great multitude who are coming against us; NOR DO WE KNOW WHAT TO DO, but our eyes are on You" (2 Chron. 20:12).

King Jehoshaphat had faith in God and trusted Him. Today, when many Christians find themselves in same position as King Jehoshaphat, they take matters into their own hands. They feel that something must be done by



them. They say, "I can handle this on my own." When it comes to spiritual war and battles, storms, mistakes, or marriage problems, we need God?

Pray like Jehoshaphat prayed and trust God with all your heart. (2 Chron 20:1)

TRUST GOD TO TAKE OVER

God wants us to totally trust Him in everything. In our storms, trials, valley days and our difficult battles. There is nothing impossible for God. All He wants from us is to trust Him completely and He will do the rest. But we need to be patient and wait for His timing. It is important for us to have our eyes focused on Him.



Heb. 12:2 – "fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame,

and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."

Trust God and allow Him to take over and don't take matters into your own hands.

Jehoshaphat said, "For we are powerless before this great multitude who are coming against us; nor do we know what to do, but <u>our eyes are on You</u>." Trust God to Take Over!

Prov. 3:5 – 'Trust in the Lord with all your heart. And do not lean on your own understanding."

GOD KNOWS WHAT TO DO

2 Chron. 20:14-17

God gives assurance to His people concerning their situation. He encourages them by saying, "Do not fear or be dismayed because of this great multitude, for the battle is not yours but God's" (v. 15).

When you pray to God to help us, He will answer you! God will give you the battle plans showing you what to do. (2 Chron. 20:16-17)

"...station yourselves, stand and see the salvation of the Lord..." (v. 17)

Keep on praying and standing on the Word of God.

"tomorrow go out to Face them, for the Lord is with you" (v. 17)

Be patient, endure and don't give up! Don't fear your battles, face them! God is with us! We need to trust God as we trust His Word through His Headship. God has appointed His True shepherds to lead His people.

2 Chron. 20:20

"Put your trust in the Lord your God and you will be established" (v. 20).

"Put your trust in His prophets and succeed" (v. 20).

Heb. 13:17 - Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you."

GOD WILL GIVE YOU THE VICTORY

God will give you the keys to your Victory in a way you would never expect. God's ways are higher than our ways.

Isa. 55:8-9 – 'For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," declares the Lord. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways And My thoughts than your thoughts."



The battle plans for King Jehoshaphat was to send the musicians and singers in front of the army. That does not make any sense! But can

you obey, trust and move on by faith when God gives you the battle plans for your victory?

2 Chron. 20:21- 'When he had consulted with the people, he appointed those who sang to the Lord and those who praised Him in holy attire, as they went out before the army and said, "Give thanks to the Lord, for His lovingkindness is everlasting."

They obeyed God's orders and the musicians went first in the frontlines to do battle. The Word of God reveals to us that God honor their obedience and faith in Him and He destroyed all the armies who came against them. (2 Chron. 20:22-24)

"When they began singing and praising, the Lord set ambushes against" (v. 22)

In your battles and storms, just sing and praise God!



He will take care of your enemies!

He will calm your storms!

He will open your Red Sea! **TRUST HIM!**

The same armies that came to fight against God's people in order to destroy them were destroy by themselves fighting against one another. <u>2 Chron. 20:23-24</u>

"...<u>destroying them completely</u> and when they had finished with the inhabitants of Seir, <u>they helped to</u> <u>destroy one another</u>" (v. 23)

"and no one had escaped." v. 24

God gave King Jehoshaphat the victory because he Trusted God with all his heart.

<u>What Are The Benefits Of Trusting God When</u> <u>You Don't Know What To Do?</u>

- GOD TAKES OVER!
- GOD KNOWS WHAT TO DO!
- GOD WILL GIVE YOU THE VICTORY!

*Don't take matters into your down hands and be patient.

"But as for me, I trust in You, O Lord, I say, "You are my God."

My times are in Your hand; Deliver me from the hand of my enemies and from those who persecute me" (Ps. 31:14-15).