WHEN YOU NEED A MIRACLE

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2 Chronicles 20:1

After this, the Moabites and Ammonites with some of the Meunites came to wage war against Jehoshaphat.

Step 1: ______ time for prayer.

Alarmed, Jehoshaphat resolved to inquire of the Lord, and he proclaimed a fast for all Judah. The people of Judah came together to seek help from the Lord; indeed, they came from every town in Judah to seek him. (vs. 3-4)

All the men of Judah, with their wives and children and little ones, stood *there before the Lord.* (vs. 13)

The Jehoshaphat Prayer Model

"Are you not..." --- Remind yourself who

"Lord, the God of our ancestors, are you not the God who is in heaven? You rule over all the kingdoms of the nations. Power and might are in your hand, and no one can withstand you. (vs.6)

"Did you not..."--- Remind yourself what _____

Our God, did you not drive out the inhabitants of this land before your people Israel and give it forever to the descendants of Abraham your *friend?* (vs. 7)

'If calamity comes upon us, whether the sword of judgment or plague or famine, we will stand in Your presence... and will cry out to you in our distress, and you will hear us and save us.' (vs. 9)

"Will you not..."--- Ask God to _____

Our God, will you not judge them? (vs. 12)

"We do not..." --- Admit your

For we have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you. (vs. 12b)

Step 2: Focus on God, not

... but our eyes are on You. (vs. 12c)

God's Response:

The battle is not ______ but _____.

The Lord says to you: "Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's." (vs. 15)

You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you, Judah and Jerusalem. *Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.* (vs. 17)

Have faith in the Lord your God and you will be upheld; have faith in his prophets and you will be successful. (vs. 20)

Step 3: Worship and Thank God .

Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the Lord and to praise him for the splendor of His holiness as they went out at the head of the army, saying: 'Give thanks to the Lord, for His love endures forever.' (vs. 21)

The Results:

As they began to sing and praise, the Lord set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated. (vs. 22)

1. God Gives More Blessing Than You Can Handle.

So Jehoshaphat and his men went to carry off their plunder, and they found among them a great amount of equipment and clothing and also articles of value - more than they could take away. There was so much plunder that it took three days to collect it. On the fourth day they assembled in the Valley of Berakah, where they praised the Lord.(vs. 25)

2. It Demonstrates God's Reality To Unbelievers

The fear of God came on all the surrounding kingdoms... (vs. 29)