

## Our Eyes Are On You 2 Chronicles 20:1-30

**God chose to put stories in the Bible as examples, to help us know how to live by faith. One of these tells the story about an ancient King of Judah named Jehoshaphat, and how he and the people faced the biggest crises of their lives.**

### 1. The Problem (20:1-4)

- Jehoshaphat is told that a “*great multitude*,” a coalition of three formidable military powers, have come to attack Judah.
- Jehoshaphat was afraid. While the Bible clearly tells us that we should not live IN FEAR, this doesn't mean we will never HAVE FEARS. What we do when we face problems, and the fear they bring, is very important.
- Jehoshaphat set his face to seek the LORD.

### 2. The Prayer (20:6-13)

- Jehoshaphat, standing before the people, begins to pray, pouring out his heart to God. He appealed to:
  - God's Sovereignty (Verse 6a-b)
  - God's Omnipotence (Verse 6c)
  - God's Promises (Verses 7-9)
  - God's Justice (Verses 10-12a)
  - God's Mercy (Verses 12b-13)
- “...we are powerless against this great horde”—this problem had no human solution.
- “We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.”—God wants us to turn to Him.

### 3. The Promise (20:14-17)

- What we need more than anything else in times of crises, uncertainty, and fear, are the words of the Almighty God!
- Jahaziel gives Jehoshaphat this powerful promise from the Lord, “...*the battle is not yours but God's*.”
- We are to put our trust in God's promises.

### 4. The Praise (20:18-19)

- In response to what God had promised, Jehoshaphat and the people worshipped the Lord.
- Their circumstances hadn't changed! But their faith in the Lord – His Person, His Power, His Promise – gave assurance to their hearts that He would act on their behalf and deliver them just as He promised! (Hebrews 11:1-2)

### 5. The Provision (20:20-30)

- The people believed God and obeyed what He told them to do.
- When they began to sing and praise, God moved on their behalf, causing confusion among the invading armies so that they mistakenly attacked one another until they were completely destroyed.
- It took three days to collect the spoil, then the people returned to Jerusalem with great joy, Jehoshaphat leading the way!

### 6. Applications

- ◆ Set your face to seek and follow the Lord.
- ◆ Do not be paralyzed by fear. Stand firm, and hold on to God's promises.

2 Chronicles 16:9; Isaiah 41:10; John 16:33;  
Hebrews 13:5; Romans 8:35, 37-39
- ◆ Remember – “...*the battle is not yours but God's*.”