

PRAYER

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Jehovah Nissi means 'the Lord your Banner' — *"I am the God who defends you."*

Five principles for praying with power . . .

I. TURN TO GOD _____.

2 Chronicles 20:1-3 "After this, the Moabites and Ammonites with some of the Meunites came to make war on Jehoshaphat . . . 3 Alarmed, Jehoshaphat resolved to inquire of the Lord, and he proclaimed a fast for all Judah."

A. _____ to make God your _____ choice!

II. TALK TO GOD _____.

2 Chronicles 20:5b (GN) "Then King Jehoshaphat went and stood before them [the entire nation] and prayed aloud . . ."

A. Three keys to _____ prayer:

1. Remind myself _____.

2 Chronicles 20:6 "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."

2. Remind myself _____.

2 Chronicles 20:7 "O our God, did You not drive out the inhabitants of this land before Your people."

3. Ask God _____ (now!)

2 Chronicles 20:12a "O our God, will You not judge them?"

- _____ you not?

- _____ you not?

- _____ you not?

III. TALK TO GOD _____.

2 Chronicles 20:12b "For we have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us."

A. Tell _____ how you feel.

B. God's _____ is all you need.

IV. TRUST GOD _____.

2 Chronicles 20:12 "We don't know what to do, but our eyes are on You."

A. Focus on _____ NOT your _____.

B. Let go and let God . . . fight His own _____!

2 Chronicles 20:15-16 "This is what 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.'"

C. _____ and trust God.

2 Chronicles 20:17 "You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you, O Judah and Jerusalem. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you."

V. THANK GOD _____.

2 Chronicles 20:21 "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.'"

A. God's _____ don't always make sense.

B. Thanksgiving is _____ faith.

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