

Your war cry has to be louder than the enemy's roar.

Main Text: 1 Peter 5:7, Mark 16:15-18

- ✓ 1 Peter 5:6–8 (NKJV) <sup>6</sup>Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, <sup>7</sup>casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. <sup>8</sup>Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.
  - ✓ Mark 16:15–18 (NKJV) <sup>15</sup>And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. <sup>16</sup>He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. <sup>17</sup>And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; <sup>18</sup>they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”
1. Humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God.
    - a. What does this mean? I am submitting and surrendering to the word of God over my emotions, my feelings and my desperation!
    - b. The Result: Exaltations: What does Exaltations mean? Exalt means to elevate or to be lifted up.
      - i. Psalm 110:1 (NKJV) <sup>1</sup>The LORD said to my Lord, “Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.”
      - ii. The Lord (Yahweh-Lord of the universe; my Lord – Adonai – The messiah)
      - iii. Power: *chayilkhah'-yil* From [H2342](#); probably a *force*, whether of men, means or other resources; an *army, wealth, virtue, valor, strength*: - able, activity, (+) army, band of men (soldiers), company, (great) forces, goods, host, might, power, riches, strength, strong, substance, train, (+) valiant (-ly), valour, virtuous (-ly), war, worthy (-ily).
      - iv. Psalm 91
  2. Casting all your care.
    - a. Casting – something done repeatedly. Whatever you have faced in life, going through as we speak, you must cast, and cast, and cast repeatedly UPON Him! Jesus. Why?
      - i. Isaiah 53: Isaiah 53:4 (NKJV) <sup>4</sup>Surely He has borne our griefs And carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed Him stricken, Smitten by God, and afflicted.
        1. Borne Our griefs – lift, bear up and exhalt (take off). Griefs – anxiety, calamity, disease, sickness.
        2. Carried our sorrows – Carried – lift, rise, accept or take away. Sorrows – anguish, pain and grief.

I am going to remind you this morning, it is the Lord that fights your battles. He has sent the King of Kings to lead us in this war, and we have already seen the ending – WE WIN!!!!

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1. Your praises has to precede your battle. God is fighting for you.
  - a. Creating the atmosphere for God's Presence to manifest in power daily, both corporately and individually for victorious living always starts with a praise!!
  - b. 2 Chronicles 20 (Syrian Invasion) This is why it is so important for you as a church to come together and pray, not just on Sundays, but when the prayer call goes out.
    - i. Verses 17-18 Position yourself in prayer.
    - ii. V21-22- Assemble the praise and worshipers. . Result of Prayer, Praise and Worship – VICTORY!
2. What you see with a natural eye must not impact what you see with a spiritual eye.
  - a. Escort the fear, doubt and anxiety to the door and kick them out.
  - b. Jesus said speak to the mountain.
    - i. Mark 11:23 (NKJV) <sup>23</sup> For assuredly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be removed and be cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that those things he says will be done, he will have whatever he says.
    - ii. Speaking is confessing; confessing is confession, confession is what your belief system is and is your covenant with God
      1. Romans 10:9 (NKJV) <sup>9</sup> that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.
      2. Saved – comes through confession – Saved – Sozo - which means to *save*, that is, *deliver* or *protect* (literally or figuratively): - heal, preserve, save (self), do well, be (make) whole.
      3. My confession leads me into covenant to be able to partake of healing, preserving, saving (self) being made whole.
      4. David and Goliath – 1 Samuel 17. Goliath tormented Saul and the Israelite Army for 40 days – verses 11, verse 24. Verse 45, verse 54 (head of Goliath)
3. You must call is loosed before it is!
  - a. Luke 13:10-12
    - i. Infirmities brings oppression.
    - ii. Oppression needs to be spoken to
    - iii. Internally dealt with. Goes back to speaking to the mountain.
    - iv. Actions behind what you speak brings results and changes the atmosphere.
  - b. Identify the issue, be honest and direct.

Application:

1. Continually lift up a praise over what your facing. Bring it into the very presence of God.

2. Let not your confession become a worldly confession, but a Godly confession. Nothing but the word. Continually in your ears, as you sleep and go about your daily routine.

3. Surround yourself with Godly, spirit-filled people that can believe with you and pray with you for victory.