

The Great Helper

2 Chronicles 20

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

2 Some people came and told Jehoshaphat, “A vast army is coming against you from Edom, from the other side of the Dead Sea. It is already in En Gedi. 3 Alarmed, Jehoshaphat resolved to inquire of the Lord, and he proclaimed a fast for all Judah. 4 The people of Judah came together to seek help from the Lord; indeed, they came from every town in Judah to seek him.

5 Then Jehoshaphat stood up in the assembly of Judah and Jerusalem at the temple of the Lord in the front of the new courtyard 6 and said:

“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. 7 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? 8 They have lived in it and have built in it a sanctuary for your Name, saying, 9 ‘If calamity comes upon us, whether the sword of judgment, or plague or famine, we will stand in your presence before this temple that bears your Name and will cry out to you in our distress, and you will hear us and save us.’

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13 Now all Judah, with their little ones, their wives, and their children, stood before the Lord.

14 *Then the Spirit of the Lord came on Jahaziel...* as he stood in the assembly. 15 He said:

“Listen, King Jehoshaphat and all who live in Judah and Jerusalem! 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. 16 Tomorrow march down against them. They will be climbing up by the Pass of Ziz, and you will find

them at the end of the gorge in the Desert of Jeruel. 17 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. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you.'"

Vs. 14

Then the Spirit of the Lord came on Jahaziel... as he stood in the assembly.

Jahaziel: Beheld of God, "Who looks to God, Whom God watches over"

A Benjamite Warrior.

A Priest in the reign of David who helped move the Ark.

The Spirit of the Lord: ruwach

The wind of God

The breath of God

The mind of God

The spirit of God.

Genesis 1:2

And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. And the (ruwach) of God moved upon the face of the waters.

Genesis 3:8

they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the (ruwach) of the day

Exodus 14:21

And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and the LORD caused the sea to go *back* by a strong east (ruwach) all that night, and made the sea dry *land*, and the waters were divided.

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- The Same Spirit that formed the World
- The Same Spirit that walked with Adam and Eve in the Garden
- The Same Spirit that divided the Red Sea for the Israelites was on this man named Jahaziel when he said, “Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God’s... 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. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you.’

There is a wind that is from God...

In the Upper Room the Bible says there was a mighty rushing wind...

There are some battles that need the ruwach of God...

I find people Surrounded

Overwhelmed

Discouraged

Defeated

Depressed

Oh amazing things happen when they get in the presence of the Holy Spirit and the ruwach of God begins blow!

John 20

19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you!” 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

21 Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.” 22 **And with that he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit.**

The Disciples were defeated, depressed and afraid

When Jesus walked through the wall and came into the room that was just what they needed...

That was the wind of changed they so desperately needed...

- When you are overwhelmed with fear and your faith is low
- The only thing that will help you is the Precious Wind of the Holy Spirit...

When you pick yourself up on a Sunday Morning and roll into church...

Then you mosey your way into the Sanctuary of his Presence...

and the Worship begins to play...

Lift up your hands and wait for the wind...

When the preacher opens the Bible and begins to preach...

wait for the wind to begin to blow...

That's when you become a Spiritual Meteorologist

Meteorologist: A Person trained in the science of watching weather patterns...

When the Lord said to Judah,

“Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you”. What he was saying is step outside and watch, God is about to do something. Your about to see the wind of his presence blow.

John 16:7

7 But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

Advocate: Parakletos - Comforter, one called along side us to help us.

Galatians 5:22,23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Romans 8:26

26 In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.