

God Chasers
Part 1
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I. Introduction

- a. God always fights and protects His people when they seek after him.
- b. Each one of us has an opportunity to decide to seek after God regardless of how busy we may be.
- c. We should all decide to become a God Chaser.

2 Chronicles 20:1-3 [NKJV]

It happened after this *that* the people of Moab with the people of Ammon, and *others* with them besides the Ammonites, came to battle against Jehoshaphat. ² Then some came and told Jehoshaphat, saying, "A great multitude is coming against you from beyond the sea, from Syria; and they are in Hazazon Tamar" (which *is* En Gedi).

³ And Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek the LORD, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah.

2 Chronicles 20:3a [NIV]

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Isaiah 45:15 [AMP]

Truly, You are a God who hides Himself,
O God of Israel, Savior!

II. Benefits of being a God Chaser

- a. He will deliver us from fear.

Psalms 34:4 [NIV]

I sought the LORD, and he answered me;
he delivered me from all my fears.

- b. He will help us walk in freedom.

Psalms 119:45 [NIV]

I will walk about in freedom,
for I have sought out your precepts.

- c. He will help us succeed.

2 Chronicles 26:5 [NIV]

He sought God during the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the fear of God. As long as he sought the LORD, God gave him success.

III. How to seek the Lord

- a. Through fasting and praying

2 Chronicles 20:3 [NKJV]

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- i. Fasting is making food restrictions for a set amount of time.
 1. In today's time, people may also fast from forms of entertainment.
 2. Fasting is not just about denying ourselves and crucifying our flesh.
 3. Fasting is primarily about dedicating the time that we would normally spend eating or being entertained to seeking God.
- ii. Fasting and prayer allows people to position themselves to be ready to rededicate their lives to Jesus and renew commitments to tithe, spend more time reading the Bible, remove idols and other ungodly things from their homes.
- iii. Fasting and prayer also allows people to position themselves to receive physical and emotional healing from strongholds and additions.

Mark 9:28-29 [NKJV]

²⁸ And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?"

²⁹ So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting."