February 3rd – Supporting My Brother

"Moses' hands became heavy; so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. And Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. So Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword." (Exo. 17:12-13)

Moses was an amazing man of God, but he was still human. He needed help just like we need help. On one occasion, the Israelites went to war against the Amalekites. Moses instructed Joshua to take the armies of God into battle, while he went up on the mountain to intercede on their behalf. Moses took Aaron and Hur with him, and while they looked on Moses held "the rod of God" in his hand. And long as it held it high, the Israelites were victorious over their enemies.

As we all know, your arms get heavy when you try to hold them up for an extended period of time. Moses grew weary trying to hold up his staff, and when he would lower his arms to try and get some rest the Israelites would start losing. Aaron and Hur saw what was happening and they decided to take action. First, they put a stone under Moses so he could sit and rest. Next, both of them of the got on either side of Moses and held up his hands.

The results were amazing. With Aaron and Hur assisting Moses, the Israelites won a decisive battle over the Amalekites. What if Aaron and Hur had decided to let Moses go it alone? It's pretty certain that Israel would've been routed on their way to the Promised Land. The point is clear – we need the help of others and they need our help too. When we got saved, God put us in the Body of Christ. As brothers and sisters in Christ, let's do all we can to hold up one another's hands.