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The story of King Jehoshaphat King of Juda—2 Chronicles 20

## THE JEHOSAPHAT FACTOR

### KINGDOM PRINCIPLES TO LEARN AND APPLY

Studying how Jehosaphat reacted in the situation, we see some key spiritual principles to apply in our lives when we face an attack of the enemy.

- **Restored the Kingdom to fear and serve God once again**
  - When you place serving the Lord as a priority, blessings will follow.
  - Matthew 6:<sup>33</sup> But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.
- **Being aware that the Enemy can attack at anytime**
  - 1 Peter 5:<sup>8</sup> Be alert, be on watch! Your enemy, the Devil, roams around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.
- **Was Afraid**
  - There is nothing *wrong* to be afraid, so long as you don't lose grip of your faith in God
- **Sought godly Counsel from his inner circle**
  - Proverbs 11:<sup>14</sup> Where there is no [wise, intelligent] guidance, the people fall [and go off course like a ship without a helm], But in the abundance of [wise and godly] counselors there is victory. (Amplified Bible) (Proverbs 24:6)
  - Proverbs 15:<sup>22</sup> Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.
- **United the People** Jehosaphat understood the power of unity and called on all of his kingdom to unite in fasting and prayer.
  - Ephesians 4:3 Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit....

- Colossians 3:<sup>14</sup> And to all these qualities add love, which binds all things together in perfect unity.

- **Prayed, Fasted sought God.** Jehosaphat was totally confident that God always answers our prayers.
  - Ezra 8:<sup>23</sup> So we fasted and petitioned our God about this, and he answered our prayer

## THE JAHAZIEL COMPONENT

### GOD ANSWER WITH A PROMISE AND INSTRUCTIONS

Once Jehosaphat and the entire nation humbled themselves and sought the Lord... the Lord answered through a Spirit filled servant named Jahaziel.

- **God ALWAYS answers prayer.**
  - Mark 11:24 whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours NIV;
  - Matthew 7:7 Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you find; knock and the door will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives; and the one who seeks finds; and the one who knocks, the door will be opened.
  - Philippians 4:<sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
  - 1 John 5:<sup>14</sup> This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.
  - Jeremiah 29:<sup>12</sup> Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. <sup>13</sup> You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.
- **Don't be afraid or discouraged** (do not fear is found 365 times in the King James)

