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A WORD FOR THE NEW YEAR

2 Chronicles 20



1. Share what God has done in my own life over this past year.

2. Share a word on how God wants us to enter into the New Year.



Luke 18:1

Then Jesus told them
a parable about their
need to pray always
and to not grow
weary or give up.

2. Protection over our Children

1 John 5:14

This is the confidence
we have in approaching
God: that if we ask
anything according to
His will, He hears us.

3. Delivered me from
fear I didn't realize I
was holding onto.

Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving present your requests to God. And the peace of God which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

2 Chronicles 20:2-4

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 Hazezon Tamar” (that is, En Gedi)

Alarmed Jehoshaphat
resolved to inquire of the
Lord, and he proclaimed a
fast for all Judah. The
people of Judah came
together to seek help from
the Lord; indeed, they came
from every town in Judah to
seek Him.

Why do we fast?

1. Guidance and Direction

James 1:5

If you need wisdom, ask
our generous God and
He will give it to you.

2. Get closer to God

James 4:8

Draw near to God
and He will draw near
to you.

**3. Breakthrough when you
are waiting for God to move.**

2 Corinthians 10:4

**The weapons we fight with
are not the weapons of the
world. On the contrary, they
have divine power to
demolish strongholds.**

2 Chronicles 20:15-18

**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.”**

“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 Jerue. 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.”

Jehoshaphat bowed down with his face to the ground, and all the people of Judah and Jerusalem fell down in worship before the Lord.

2 Chronicles 20:20-21

Early in the morning they left for the Desert of Tekoa. As they set out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, “Listen to me, Judah and people of Jerusalem! Have faith in the Lord your God and you will be upheld; have faith in his prophets and you will be successful.”

After consulting the people,
Jehoshaphat appointed men to
sing to the Lord and to praise
him for the splendor of his
holiness as they went out at
the head of the army, saying:

“Give thanks to the Lord, for
His love endures forever.”

2 Chronicles 20:22-24

As they began to sing and praise, the Lord set ambushes against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated. The Ammonites and Moabites rose up against the men from Mount Seir to destroy and annihilate them. After they finished slaughtering the men from Seir, they helped to destroy one another.

When the men of Judah
came to the place that
overlooks the desert and
looked toward the vast
army, they saw only dead
bodies lying on the
ground; no one had
escaped.

How did Jehoshaphat head into battle?

1. He fasted and prayed.
2. He started praising God
in advance for what he
would do.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-17

**Rejoice always, pray
without ceasing, give
thanks in all
circumstances; for this
is the will of God in
Christ Jesus for you.**

**1. Pray about fasting
this year.**

2. Praise God for 3
things He's done this
year.

(Setting a foundation
of praise.)

**3. What do you want
to pray for and praise
God for in advance?**

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3. What do you want to
pray for and praise God
for in advance?



