

⁴ For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope. Romans 15:4 (NIV)

WHAT ARE YOU CURRENTLY FACING THAT YOU NEED TO **OVERCOME?**

KING JEHOSHAPHAT'S SEVEN STEP OVERCOMERS' PLAN:

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After this the Moabites and Ammonites, and with them some of the Meunites, came against Jehoshaphat for battle. ² Messengers came and told Jehoshaphat, "A great multitude is coming against you from Edom, from beyond the sea; already they are at Hazazon-tamar" (that is, En-gedi.) 2 Chronicles 20:1-2 (NIV)
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Jehoshaphat was terrified by this news 2 Chronicles 20:3a (NLT)
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³ Alarmed, Jehoshaphat resolved to inquire of the LORD. 2 Chronicles 20:3a (NIV
Jehoshaphat was terrified by this news and begged the LORD for guidance. 2 Chronicles 20:3a (NLT)
There is a difference in asking for and asking for
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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. 2 Chronicles 20:3-5 (NIV)

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ^{47b} And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:42, 47b (NIV)

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Jehoshaphat prayed, "O LORD, God of our ancestors, you alone are the God who is in heaven. You are ruler of all the kingdoms of the earth. You are powerful and mighty; no one can stand against you! ⁷O our God, did you not drive out those who lived in this land when your people Israel arrived? And did you not give this land forever to the descendants of your friend Abraham? ⁸ Your people settled here and built this Temple to honor your name. ⁹ They said, 'Whenever we are faced with any calamity such as war, [d] plague, or famine, we can come to stand in your presence before this Temple where your name is honored. We can cry out to you to save us, and you will hear us and rescue us.' 2 Chronicles 20:6-9 (NLT)

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Our God, will you not judge them? For we have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you." All the men of Judah, with their wives and children and little ones, stood there before the LORD. 2 Chronicles 20:12 (NIV)

6. Jehoshaphat said, "Listen, all you people of Judah and Jerusalem! Listen, King Jehoshaphat! This is what the LORD says: Do not be afraid! Don't be discouraged by this mighty army, for the battle is not yours, but God's. ¹⁶ Tomorrow, march out against them. You will find them coming up through the ascent of Ziz at the end of the valley.... ¹⁷ But you will not even need to fight. Take your positions; then stand still and watch the LORD's victory. He is with you, O people of Judah and Jerusalem. Do not be afraid or discouraged. Go out against them tomorrow, for the LORD is with you!" 2 Chronicles 20:15-17 (NLT)

Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated. ²³ 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. 24 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. 25 So Jehoshaphat and his men went to carry off their plunder, and they found among them a great amount of equipment and clothing and also articles of value—more than they could take away. There was so much plunder that it took three days to collect it. 26a On the fourth day they assembled in the Valley of Berakah, where they praised the Lord. 2 Chronicles 20:22-23 (NIV)