

How To _____ Your Way To A _____, Pt. 3

2 Chronicles 20:14-17; Selected Scriptures

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1. When you pray you must be open to _____ what _____ is _____ to you.

2 Chronicles 20:14-15 (ESV) - And the Spirit of the LORD came upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, son of Benaiah, son of Jeiel, son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, in the midst of the assembly. ¹⁵ And he said, "Listen, all Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem and King Jehoshaphat: Thus says the LORD to you, 'Do not be afraid and do not be dismayed at this great horde, for the battle is not yours but God's.'"

Jahaziel – yahaziel –

Numbers 23:26 (ESV) – But Balaam answered Balak, "Did I not tell you, 'All that the LORD says, that I must do'?"

Psalms 85:8 (NLT) – I listen carefully to what God the LORD is saying, for he speaks peace to his faithful people. But let them not return to their foolish ways.

Habakkuk 2:1 (ESV) – I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint.

2. When you pray you must realize the _____ belongs to _____, not _____.

A. Your _____ will be _____ when you realize the FIGHT belongs to GOD.

2 Chronicles 20:15,17 (ESV) – ¹⁵ And he said, "Listen, all Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem and King Jehoshaphat: Thus says the LORD to you, 'Do not be afraid and do not be dismayed at this great horde, for the battle is not yours but God's. . . . ¹⁷ You will not need to fight in this battle. Stand firm, hold your position, and see the salvation of the LORD on your behalf, O Judah and Jerusalem.' Do not be afraid and do not be dismayed. Tomorrow go out against them, and the LORD will be with you."

B. Your _____ will be _____ when you realize the FIGHT belongs to GOD.

2 Chronicles 20:16-17a (ESV) - Tomorrow go down against them. Behold, they will come up by the ascent of Ziz. You will find them at the end of the valley, east of the wilderness of Jeruel. ¹⁷ You will not need to fight in this battle. . . .

C. Your _____ will be _____ when you realize the FIGHT belongs to GOD.

2 Chronicles 20:17b (ESV) - You will not need to fight in this battle. Stand firm, hold your position, and see the salvation of the LORD on your behalf, O Judah and Jerusalem.' Do not be afraid and do not be dismayed. Tomorrow go out against them, and the LORD will be with you."

Deuteronomy 1:29-33 (ESV) – Then I said to you, 'Do not be in dread or afraid of them. ³⁰ The LORD your God who goes before you will himself fight for you, just as he did for you in Egypt before your eyes, ³¹ and in the wilderness, where you have seen how the LORD your God carried you, as a man carries his son, all the way that you went until you came to this place.' ³² Yet in spite of this word you did not believe the LORD your God, ³³ who went before you in the way to seek you out a place to pitch your tents, in fire by night and in the cloud by day, to show you by what way you should go.

Deuteronomy 31:6 (ESV) – “Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the LORD your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you.”

2 Chronicles 32:7-8 (ESV) – “Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or dismayed before the king of Assyria and all the horde that is with him, for there are more with us than with him. ⁸ With him is an arm of flesh, but with us is the LORD our God, to help us and to fight our battles.” And the people took confidence from the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.

1 Samuel 17:47 (ESV) – and that all this assembly may know that the LORD saves not with sword and spear. For the battle is the LORD's, and he will give you into our hand.”

Questions to Consider

1. How do you know when someone has heard you?
2. How does God typically speak to you?
3. How do you respond when The LORD gives you instructions for your life?
4. How does knowing the battle belongs to The LORD, and not you, help you to pray?
5. How does knowing the battle belongs to The LORD help dispel your fear?
6. How does knowing the battle belongs to The LORD help you to stop worrying and start trusting God?
7. How does knowing the battle belongs to The LORD help strengthen your faith?
8. What does God want you to do when you face problems and threats?

9. How can *fasting and prayer* be a response or a defense against trouble?
10. Is it easy or difficult to turn the battle over to The LORD? Explain.