

WHEN THE ODDS ARE AGAINST YOU

How God Meets Your Deepest Needs
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2 Chronicles 20:1-30

Jehovah Nissi = "I am the God who defends you."

STEP 1: TURN TO GOD _____

"The Moabites, Ammonites, and some Meunites came to start war on Jehoshaphat . . . Jehoshaphat was afraid, so he decided to ask the Lord what to do."

2 Chronicles 20:1, 3 (NCV)

STEP 2: TALK TO GOD _____

"King Jehoshaphat went and stood before them and prayed aloud."

2 Chronicles 20:5-6 (GNT)

- **REMINDE MYSELF** _____

"Are you not the God who is in heaven? You rule over all the kingdoms of the nations. Power and might are in your hand, and no one can withstand you."

2 Chronicles 20:6 (NIV)

- **REMINDE MYSELF** _____

"Didn't you drive out the heathens who lived in this land when your people arrived?" 2 Chronicles 20:7 (TLB)

- **ASK GOD** _____

"O our God, won't you stop them?" 2 Chronicles 20:12 (NLT)

STEP 3: TELL GOD _____

"We are powerless against this mighty army that is about to attack us."

2 Chronicles 20:12 (NLT)

STEP 4: TRUST GOD _____

"We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you." 2 Chronicles 20:12 (NIV)

GOD'S RESPONSE: _____

"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.'" 2 Chronicles 20:15 (NIV)

"You won't need to fight in this battle. Just stand strong in your places, and you will see the Lord save you." 2 Chronicles 20:17 (NCV)

STEP 5: THANK GOD _____

"The king appointed singers to walk ahead of the army, singing to the Lord and praising Him . . . This is what they sang: 'Give thanks to the Lord for his faithful love endures forever!'" 2 Chronicles 20:21 (NLT)

"At the moment they began to sing and to praise, the Lord caused the armies of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir to begin fighting among themselves, and they destroyed each other!" 2 Chronicles 20:22 (TLB)

"When all the surrounding kingdoms heard that the Lord himself had fought against the enemies of Israel, the fear of God came over them. So Jehoshaphat's kingdom was at peace, for his God had given him rest on every side."

2 Chronicles 20:29-30 (NLT)

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