

Message Notes

Praying for Revival for Our Nation!

Memorial Day Weekend

May 25th, 2014

Heritage – Van Buren, Arkansas

Text: 2 Chronicles 20

BIG IDEA: The Greatest Way to Honor the Sacrifice of Our Fallen Warriors is To Make the Sacrifice of Prayer For the Revival of the Values and Dreams for Which God Intends for this Nation!

THREE SIGNIFICANT SIMILARITIES BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF JEHOSEPHAT'S DAY AND US.

I. THERE IS AN OVERWHELMING ENEMY AROUND US!
(vv. 1-3a)

II. THERE IS A POWERFUL OPTION AVAILABLE TO US!
(vv. 3-12)

How do we access this opportunity?

1. Set your face to seek God. (vs. 3)
2. Gather others to pray. (vs. 4)
3. Pray for the sake of God's kingdom. (vss. 5-11)
4. Pray in humble dependence on God! (vs. 12)

Yonggie Cho, pastor in South Korea. "American Christians have bigger buildings, greater programs, tremendous activity; but one thing it seems they will not do— they will not PRAY."

III. THERE IS A GOD-SIZED VICTORY AWAITING US!

(vv. 13-30), James 5: 16-18

¹⁶ Confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. ¹⁷ Elijah was a man just like us, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. ¹⁸ And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit.

What happens when we prevail in prayer?

1. The Spirit of God comes. Vs. 13-14

2. The Word of God comes. Vs. 15-17

¹⁵ ... Thus says the LORD to you: 'Do not be afraid nor dismayed because of this great multitude, for the battle is not yours, but God's. ... ¹⁷ You will not need to fight in this battle. Position yourselves, stand still and see the salvation of the LORD, who is with you, ...

3. The Joy of God comes. Vs. 18-19

4. The Deliverance of God comes. Vs. 20-25

5. The Fear of God comes. Vss. 26-29

6. The Peace of God comes. Vs. 30

Conclusion: Isaiah 62:6-7

I have set watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; They shall never hold their peace day or night., You who make mention of the Lord, do not keep silent, 7 And give Him no rest till He establishes, And till He makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth.

NEXT STEP: I will pray for revival for myself and my church!