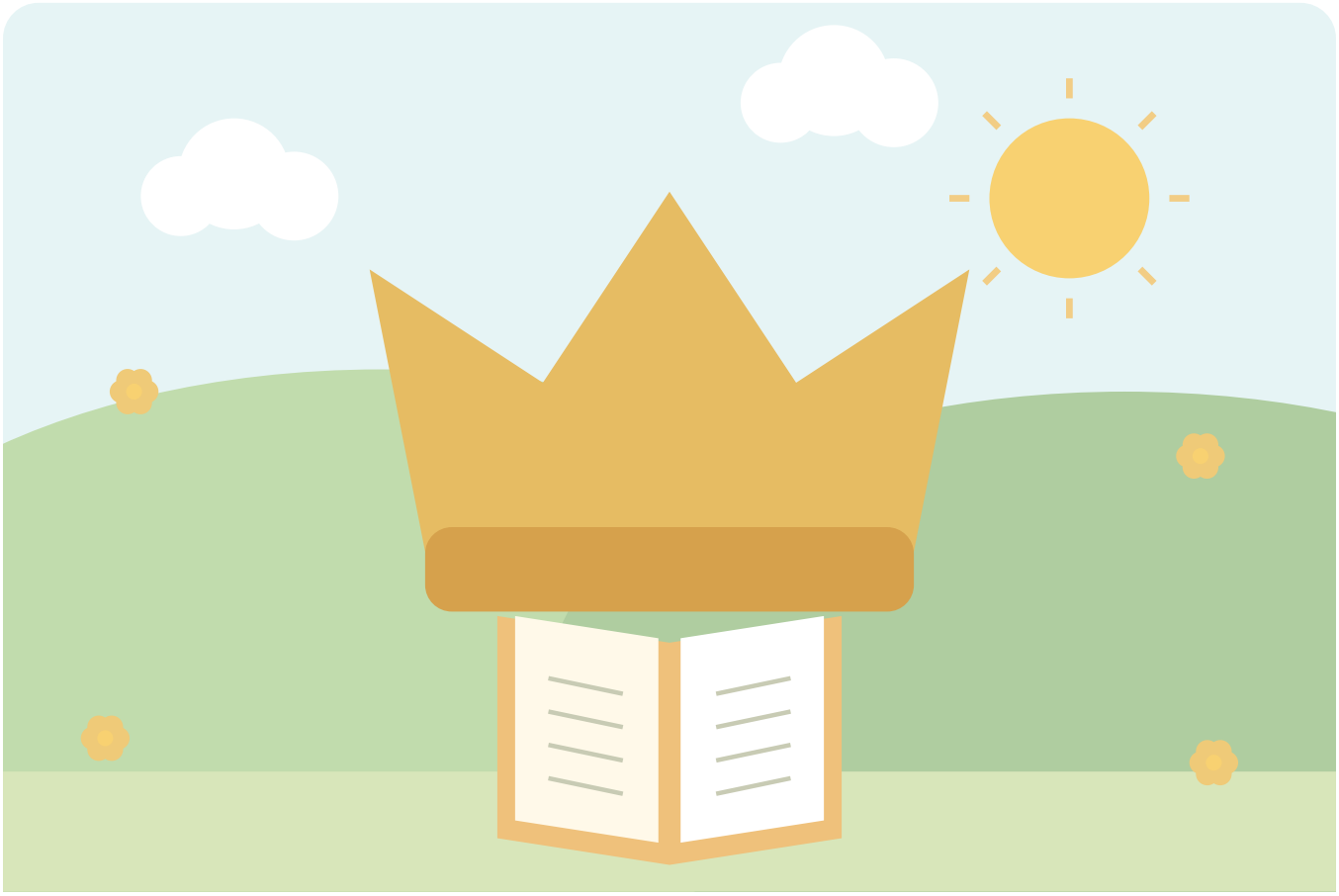
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A King Asks God for Help

2 Chronicles 20:1-30



YOUR BIBLE READING

A faithful leader can admit limits and ask for help.

Inside: two extended reading pages, a thoughtful reflection, creative activities and a grown-up guide.

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EXTENDED ENGLISH READING • PAGE 1 OF 2

Jehoshaphat Brings the Danger Before God



2 Chronicles 20:1-30

Jehoshaphat, king of Judah, received alarming news. A great force was coming against his people. Armies associated with Moab, Ammon, and Mount Seir were approaching, and the danger was real. The king was afraid and turned to seek God. He announced a fast throughout Judah. People came from the towns to ask for God's help together, rather than leaving the crisis as a private worry known only in the palace.

Jehoshaphat stood before the assembly at God's house and prayed. He spoke of God's rule over the nations and power that no one could resist. He remembered the land given to Abraham's descendants and the place built for worship there. Now people were coming to drive Judah out. The prayer connected what the community remembered of God's care with the threatening situation they were facing in their own time.

The king did not pretend to have enough power or a complete plan. He told God that they could not face the great force by themselves and did not know what to do. Their eyes were turned toward God. Judah stood there with their wives and children, including little ones. The account shows a gathered community hearing a leader honestly acknowledge what he did not know instead of covering his limits with a boast.

Then God's Spirit came upon Jahaziel, a Levite among the assembly. He brought a message for the king and people. They were not to be overwhelmed by the army's size, because this battle belonged to God. They were to go out the next day, take their positions, and see God's rescue. Jahaziel gave a location where the enemy would be found. The message specifically said that Judah would not need to fight in this battle.

Remember: I can bring a real worry to God and seek help without pretending to know every answer.

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Singing, a Rescue, and a Quiet Kingdom

2 Chronicles 20:1-30



Jehoshaphat bowed facedown, and the people worshiped. Levites stood and praised God with loud voices. Early the next morning, they went toward the wilderness of Tekoa. The king urged the people to trust God and his prophets. After consulting the people, he appointed singers to go before the army. Their song thanked God for his enduring loving kindness. The account places praise on the road before the people saw how the rescue would happen.

As the singing began, God acted against the approaching force. The armies turned against one another. Ammon and Moab attacked Mount Seir, and then the remaining enemies fought each other. By the time Judah reached the lookout and saw the place, the opposing soldiers had died. This is a terrible loss of life within the account. It should be named gently, rather than replaced with an invented ending in which everyone simply decided to go home.

Jehoshaphat and his people gathered valuables from the defeated camp. There was so much that collecting it took three days. On the fourth day they assembled in a valley to bless God. The place was called Beracah, meaning blessing. They then returned toward Jerusalem with Jehoshaphat leading. Their return included music, harps, trumpets, and a visit to God's house. The people who had first gathered because of danger were now returning after the special rescue they had received.

Other kingdoms heard that God had fought against Israel's enemies, and fear of God spread among them. Jehoshaphat's kingdom had quiet and rest around it. This passage records one particular rescue in Judah's history. It does not promise that singing a song or saying the same prayer will make every army, illness, or danger disappear. Its account of help can be read with gratitude while still taking present dangers seriously and seeking wise protection.

Pause and think: How can admitting that you need help become a thoughtful first step?

THINK, NOTICE & GROW

Ask for Help Without Pretending You Know Everything



The king admits that he does not know what to do. What makes that different from giving up? He turns to God and gathers the community rather than hiding the danger. In an ordinary situation, you might tell a trusted adult that you do not understand a problem. Naming it clearly can be the beginning of finding help, information, and a safer next step together.

Music can help people express hope, sorrow, thanks, or courage. Think of a song that helps you remember something meaningful. What words or rhythm stay with you? A song is not a magic tool that controls what happens next. You can enjoy its help in expressing faith or feeling without blaming yourself if a difficult situation continues after you sing or pray.

The story includes people killed in battle. You can care about the safety Judah received and still feel sad about lives lost. This account does not tell children to celebrate harm or face danger alone. If a threat worries you, bring it to an adult who can take practical action. Prayer and responsible protection can stand beside each other.

A SMALL STEP FOR TODAY

Jehoshaphat admits his need, Judah seeks God together, and this particular danger ends in a special rescue.

How can admitting that you need help become a thoughtful first step?

Read, Remember & Create

Name: _____ Date: _____

1 Think about the reading

1. What did Jehoshaphat admit in his prayer?

2. What did Jahaziel say Judah would not need to do?

2 Put the ideas in order

Write 1, 2 and 3 for the order these ideas appear in the reading.

- ☐ Jahaziel brings a message, and the people go out with praise.
- ☐ Judah sees the rescue and returns with thanksgiving.
- ☐ Judah gathers as Jehoshaphat asks God for help.

3 Draw a meaningful picture

Draw the gathered community listening to the king’s prayer, using gentle symbols rather than battle injuries.

Tell someone how your picture connects to the reading.

Read & Grow Together

Read and learn with context

This English edition is designed for ages 6-10 with an adult. Read both extended readings together, or enjoy one each day. Pause at unfamiliar words, invite questions and use the reflection page to connect the story with everyday life. These are retellings and lessons with explanations; read the listed Bible passage for context. Poetry, parables, letters and symbolic visions are identified by type.

Remember this

I can bring a real worry to God and seek help without pretending to know every answer.
Original memory thought, not a direct Bible quotation. Related passage: 2 Chronicles 20:12

A thoughtful conversation

This chapter records a particular national rescue, including enemy deaths and collected valuables. Do not turn it into a promise that praise prevents all harm or produces wealth. Acknowledge loss without gore. Children can learn honest help-seeking while adults retain responsibility for responding to threats, war anxiety, and practical safety.

Activity answers

1. He lacked power against the force and did not know what to do.
2. They would not need to fight this particular battle.
Sequence boxes, top to bottom: 2, 3, 1. Personal responses and drawings will vary.

Optional prayer

If you wish: God, help me ask honestly for support and care about people facing danger.

Print and share

Each pack has 6 pages. Print on A4 at Actual Size (100%). The worksheet is page 5. You may print just that page, or use the separate 150-page activity book. The collection contains 150 packs in Bible book order, 15 volumes and one ZIP. Catalog pack IDs stay the same when new readings are added.

Sources and sharing

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