

How to Get Your Breakthrough PART 1

2 Chronicles 20:12

MAIN TAKEAWAY

Fasting positions us for a breakthrough, it solves problems and gives us the next step to take. It gives us the right decisions to make and brings people to Christ. Fasting will heal our emotions, bring change, courage, and it will help us break old habits and start new ones.

KEY SCRIPTURES & TAKEAWAYS

2 Chronicles 20:1-4 AMPC After this, the Moabites, the Ammonites, and with them the Meunites came against Jehoshaphat to battle. ²It was told Jehoshaphat, A great multitude has come against you from beyond the [Dead] Sea, from Edom; and behold they are in Hazazon-tamar, which is En-gedi. ³Then Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself [determinedly, as his vital need] to seek the Lord; he proclaimed a fast in all Judah. ⁴And Judah gathered together to ask help from the Lord; even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek the Lord [yearning for Him with all their desire].

- a. If you're in a battle, the best thing is to do is to fast.
- b. When it looks like it's over, it's not.
- c. Our priority should be to seek the Lord.

2 Chronicles 20:1-4 AMPC 5-6 AMPC And Jehoshaphat stood in the assembly of Judah and Jerusalem in the house of the Lord before the new court ⁶And said, O Lord, God of our fathers, are You not God in heaven? And do You not rule over all the kingdoms of the nations? In Your hand are power and might, so that none is able to withstand You.

- a. We need to stop and take a moment to look at the **power** of our God.
- b. We need to stop looking at the one coming against us, but look at the power of the One who is for us.

2 Chronicles 20:7-6 AMPC ⁷Did not You, O our God, drive out the inhabitants of this land before Your people Israel and give it forever to the descendants of Abraham Your friend? ⁸They dwelt in it and have built You a sanctuary in it for Your Name, saying, ⁹If evil comes upon us, the sword of judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we will stand before this house and before You—for Your Name [and the symbol of Your presence] is

in this house—and cry to You in our affliction, and You will hear and save. ¹⁰ And now behold, the men of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, whom You would not let Israel invade when they came from the land of Egypt, and whom they turned from and did not destroy— ¹¹ Behold, they reward us by coming to drive us out of Your possession which You have given us to inherit. ¹² O our God, will You not exercise judgment upon them? For we have no might to stand against this great company that is coming against us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are upon You.

- a. We need to stop and look at the **promises** of God, claim what God has spoken over our lives in His Word already.
- b. We need to stop and focus on God's Presence, recognize that He is with us.
- c. Once they fasted, God gave them the next step: **praise & worship**. The singers went out first, praising the Lord. God fought that battle for them and gave them the victory.

REFLECT & REVISIT

This week go back and read **2 Chronicles 20:12** this week and as you read, reflect on how Jehoshaphat responded when he did not know what to do. He sought the Lord, called a fast, focused on God's power, promises, and presence, and praised God before he ever saw the victory. Bring the battle, decision, habit, or situation where you need breakthrough before God and make seeking Him your priority.