

THE BLOOD COVENANT, PART 4
THE BATTLE BELONGS TO THE LORD
2 Chronicles 20:1-30

When you're afraid and don't know what to do, pray to the God who does.

Encounter the CRISIS.

God knows all about your scary situation.

Judah receives an intelligence report indicating that war is imminent.
Judah apparently is not prepared for such a huge military onslaught at this time.
Judah is faced with a very “normal” kind of ancient Near Eastern emergency.

Handle the CRISIS.

God puts divine resources at his people's disposal.

Jehoshaphat initially displays a natural human fear.
Jehoshaphat resolves to seek the Lord for help and guidance.
Jehoshaphat organizes a period of corporate spiritual focus.
Jehoshaphat prays the covenant and declares his dependence on God.

Release the CRISIS.

God is already part of the crisis because of covenant.

God speaks words of reassurance to Judah through his prophet.
God assumes responsibility for the attack on his covenant people.
God gives specific instructions that require all of Judah to act in faith and praise.
God gives Judah a supernatural victory by defeating her enemies.

Embrace the CRISIS today.

God—our covenant partner—is always with us.

Recognize your crisis situation as an opportunity for God to demonstrate his faithfulness.
When the emergencies of life come, “center down” upon your covenant God in prayer.
Wait for—and then completely obey—the instructions that God gives for deliverance.
By faith, engage in “warfare worship” before, during, and after the emergency.
Know that your chief enemies—sin and death—have already been conquered in Christ.

“O Lord . . . we don't know what to do, but our eyes are upon you.”
(2 Chronicles 20:6, 12b)