

plug in

 **newcomer welcome:**
get started
sunday, march 14
10:45-11:45am, room 03

offering

giving back to God through
tithes and offerings.

worship

expressing thanks to God
through song. Feel free to
stand, sit, or kneel while you
sing, clap, or just listen.

hungry

fasting to make a
difference



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king
jehoshaphat

guidance to
win the battle

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21 day fast
march 14-april 3

After this, the armies of the Moabites, Ammonites, and some of the Meunites declared war on Jehoshaphat. Messengers came and told Jehoshaphat, "A vast army from Edom is marching against you from beyond the Dead Sea."

2 Chronicles 20:1-2a

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Jehoshaphat was terrified by this news and begged the Lord for guidance. He also ordered everyone in Judah to begin fasting. So people from all the towns of Judah came to Jerusalem to seek the Lord's help.

2 Chronicles 20:3-5

He prayed, "O Lord, God of our ancestors, you alone are the God who is in heaven. You are ruler of all the kingdoms of the earth. You are powerful and mighty; no one can stand against you! O our God, did you not drive out those who lived in this land when your people Israel arrived?"

2 Chronicles 20:6-7

And did you not give this land forever to the descendants of your friend Abraham? Your people settled here and built this Temple to honor your name. They said, "Whenever we are faced with any calamity such as war, plague, or famine, we can come to stand in your presence before this Temple where your name is honored."

2 Chronicles 20:7-9

We can cry out to you to save us, and you will hear us and rescue us.' "And now see what the armies of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir are doing. You would not let our ancestors invade those nations when Israel left Egypt, so they went around them and did not destroy them."

2 Chronicles 20:9-10

O our God, won't you stop them? We are powerless against this mighty army that is about to attack us. We do not know what to do, but we are looking to you for help."

All the men of Judah stood before the Lord with their little ones, wives, and children...

2 Chronicles 20:11-13

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The Spirit of the Lord came upon one of the men standing there. His name was Jahaziel...He said, "Listen, all you people of Judah and Jerusalem! Listen, King Jehoshaphat! This is what the Lord says: Do not be afraid! Don't be discouraged by this mighty army, for the battle is not yours, but God's."

2 Chronicles 20:14-15

Tomorrow, march out against them. But you will not even need to fight. Take your positions; then stand still and watch the Lord's victory. He is with you. Do not be afraid or discouraged. Go out against them tomorrow, for the Lord is with you!" Then King Jehoshaphat bowed low with his face to the ground.

2 Chronicles 20:15-18

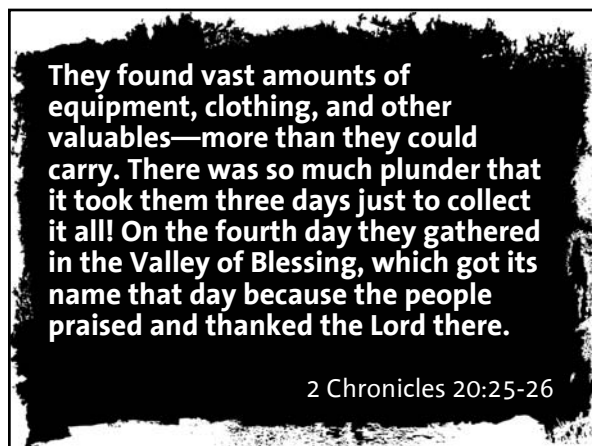
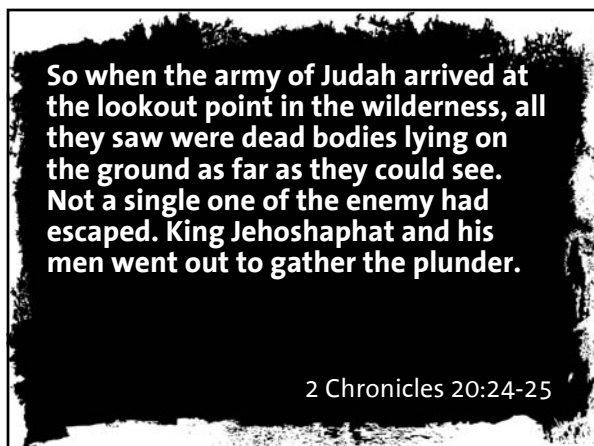
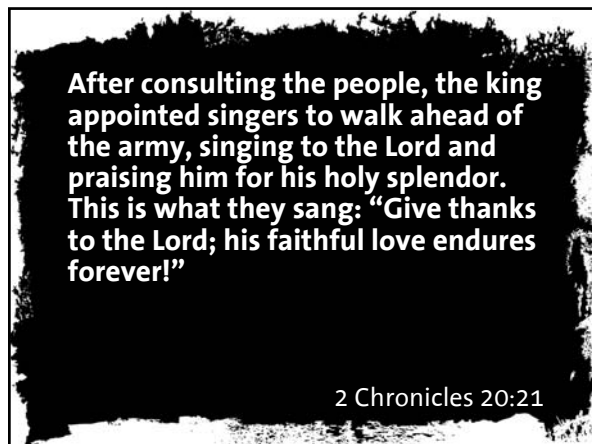
And all the people of Judah and Jerusalem did the same, worshipping the Lord... Early the next morning the army of Judah went out into the wilderness of Tekoa.

2 Chronicles 20:18, 20a

On the way Jehoshaphat stopped and said, "Listen to me, all you people of Judah and Jerusalem! Believe in the Lord your God, and you will be able to stand firm. Believe in his prophets, and you will succeed."

2 Chronicles 20:20b





It is still called the Valley of Blessing today. 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 20:26-30

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