

“Listen to me Judah and residents of Jerusalem; Trust in the Lord your God and you will never fail. Believe God’s prophets and you will always prosper!”



King Jehoshaphat

King Jehoshaphat (Ja-hoe-sa-fat) was a king that loved God very much. He knew that God would help him and care for him and his people. King Jehoshaphat followed and obeyed God.

One day, he got news that a big, mean army was coming to fight them. Jehoshaphat immediately asked the people to pray and ask God for help.

All the people came together. Then, King Jehoshaphat stood in front of the people and prayed to God. He celebrated God for how wonderful and powerful God is. The king asked God to help them win against this horrible enemy. He told God that they could not do anything without God's help.

God heard King Jehoshaphat's prayer. God sent a messenger to speak to all of the people. He told them to listen to when the Lord said. He said, "Do not be afraid or sad because of this big army. For the battle is not yours, it is God's."

God told them to wait until the next day to face the big army. God shared that when they marched to fight, they would see how God would win for them.

When the king heard the news, he bowed down and worshipped the Lord. He was so glad for God's help and for God's kindness to him and his people. He thanked God and told God how wonderful God is.

Early the next morning, Jehoshaphat and his army went out as God told them. The king reminded the people to trust God and obey. Then the king did an amazing thing, he asked the people to follow the choir. They sang songs to God and played beautiful music. They sang in front of the army saying, "Give thanks to the Lord for His love continues forever."

When King Jehoshaphat and his army got to where they could see the other army, they were amazed at what God did. Just as God had told them, the battle had already been won. God had won the battle!

When the army returned to the city, they praised God and thanked him for winning the battle. They played harps, flutes, and trumpets in God's temple as a way to praise and thank God for saving them from the people who did not like them.

They celebrated God!