All you need is a Word

2 Chronicles 20:1-25  It came to pass after this also, that the children of Moab, and the children of Ammon, and with them other beside the Ammonites, came against Jehoshaphat to battle. 2 Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat, saying, There cometh a great multitude against thee from beyond the sea on this side Syria; and, behold, they be in Hazazontamar, which is Engedi. 3 And Jehoshaphat feared, and set himself to seek the LORD, and proclaimed a fast throughout all Judah. 4 And Judah gathered themselves together, to ask help of the LORD: even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek the LORD. 5 And Jehoshaphat stood in the congregation of Judah and Jerusalem, in the house of the LORD, before the new court, 6 And said, O LORD God of our fathers, art thou God in heaven? and rulest thou over all the kingdoms of the heathen? and in thine hand is there not power and might, so that none is able to withstand thee? 7 Art thou our God, who didst drive out the inhabitants of this land before thy people Israel, and gavest it to the seed of Abraham thy friend for ever? 8 And they dwelt therein, and have built thee a sanctuary therein for thy name, saying, 9 If, when evil cometh upon us, as the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine, we stand before this house, and in thy presence, (for thy name is in this house,) and cry unto thee in our affliction, then thou wilt hear and help. 10 And now, behold, the children of Ammon and Moab and mount Seir, whom thou wouldest not let Israel invade, when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned from them, and destroyed them not; 11 Behold, I say, how they reward us, to come to cast us out of thy possession, which thou hast given us to inherit. 12 O our God, wilt thou not judge them? for we have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes are upon thee. 13 And all Judah stood before the LORD, with their little ones, their wives, and their children. 14 Then upon Jahaziel the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Jieiel, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph, came the Spirit of the LORD in the midst of the congregation; 15 And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the LORD unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle is not yours, but God’s. 16 To morrow go ye down against them: behold, they come up by the cliff of Ziz; and ye shall find them at the end of the brook, before the wilderness of Jeruel. 17 Ye shall not need to fight in this battle: set yourselves, stand ye still, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to morrow go out against them: for the LORD will be with you. 18 And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with his face to the ground: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem fell before the LORD, worshiping the LORD. 19 And the Levites, of the children of the Kohathites, and of the children of the Korhites, stood up to praise the LORD God of Israel with a loud voice on high. 20 And they rose early
in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper. 21 And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed singers unto the LORD, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy endureth for ever. 22 And when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten. 23 For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slay and destroy them: and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, every one helped to destroy another. 24 And when Judah came toward the watch tower in the wilderness, they looked unto the multitude, and, behold, they were dead bodies fallen to the earth, and none escaped. 25 And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies, and precious jewels, which they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away: and they were three days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much.

INTRO:  Before I start preaching  I need to prophesy to somebody & tell you that  This day is your day for a turn around.  > And I decree to you that in the very same place that the enemy said it was gonna end, you’re going to step into a new beginning & the greatest blessing of your life. 2 Chron 20:1 It came to pass after this also, that the children of Moab, & the children of Ammon, & w/Them other beside the Ammonites, came against Jehoshaphat to battle.  > Let’s assign names to these enemies that apply to us personally.  \> Financial Trouble, or Health problems, Family problems attacks on our character, attacks on The ministry,...  > And here’s The worst part of it all.  (They all came at once)  > Have you ever Felt Like you were in The middle of a war zone & The enemy Was surrounding you? You Turned to the east & There was the enemy, You turned To the west & there Was a different enemy You turned to the North & There Was no relief You Turned To the south & it looked hopeless.
& some of you feel like you're in that very same situation.

You Love God, you're doing your best to serve God,
You're doing your best to live right
you're reading your bible,
you're praying,
you're coming to church,
You're paying your tithes,
you're Sowing.

You don't understand it
But you're in the Fight of your life,
& You don't see any sign of it letting up.
You fight one enemy & think your winning ,
Then all of a sudden you look
& The enemy has reinforced
& Comes On even Stronger.

And the bible says.. Jeshosha-phat Feared
Faith comes by hearing. and Fear comes by hearing

The greatest weapon Satan has is Fear
(Because Fear will open the door
to sickness & disease, depression, oppression
WORRY, ANXIETY, STRESS, & CONFUSION).

Fear will steal your Joy. & your peace
Fear Will Bring You into Bondage
Mentally, Emotionally, & Spiritually.
Job 3:25 For the thing which I greatly feared is come upon me, & that which I was afraid of is come unto me.

Fear is a child of the devil
I Jn 4:18 Fear hath torment
2 Tim 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of Fear, But of Power & of Love & of a Sound Mind.

The only way to move Forward
is to Conquer The spirit of Fear.

The 1st Thing Jehoshaphat did when he was attacked by the spirit of Fear was he turned to the Lord.
2 Chro. 20:3 And Jehoshaphat feared.
He Feared but he made The right Choice,
He turned To God.
He set himself to seek the Lord & proclaimed a Fast

Hey God Gave To The church everything
We need to overcome in this life & fear
- Our weapons are not Weak They are mighty,
They are powerful, They are effective.
2 Cor 10:3-5  The weapons of our warfare are not carnal but they are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds, casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.

- But it does not matter how powerful your Weapons are. 
  **If you do not pick them up**
  They are useless as far as you are concerned.

- We lose many battles as Christians, 
  & it’s not because the enemy is greater, 
  not because he is smarter or has better weapons. 
  - But simply because we **do not take Full advantage** 
    of what we have been given.

➤ The First Thing Jehosh a-phat does 
  is Launch the Weapons of prayer & fasting
➤ Fasting multiplies The power of prayer 
  (It magnifies the effect of prayer)
The power of The fast: Is a 58:6 it will loose The bonds of wickedness, undo The heavy burdens and Let The oppressed go Free,
  And it will empower you To Break every yoke.

➤ Jehoshaphat did something that a lot of us are too proud to do
  He cried out To the Lord

➤ There is something powerful in a cry:
  Hey I’m not referring to prayer, 
  when you need God immediately, & desperately you don’t have time for a long fancy K J prayer

- That cry is an acknowledgement (we need help) 
  That cry is a recognition that human effort Is not enough

➤ Jehoshaphat’s cry creates an avenue for the Power of God
Ps 107:13  Then they cried unto the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them out of their distresses.
14  14 He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and brake their bands in sunder. KJV
Ps 107:14  ... and broke away their chains. NIV

➤ BECAUSE THEY CRIED OUT FOR HELP
  One of the greatest enemies to the power of God is PRIDE  Pride will kill you

➤ Never be too proud to cry out To God for Help.
  ➤ What seems to be Weakness 
  is actually the most powerful thing you can do.
> SOMEBODY OUGHT TO LIFT YOUR HANDS RIGHT NOW & CRY OUT TO GOD.

V 14-15 The spirit of the lord Comes upon Jahaziel & He Begins to prophesy.

> “thus saith The Lord:”

* I’m going to tell you right Now That a thus saith the Lord changes everything

* I don’t care what The banker says or the doctor I don’t care what The lawyer says:
  > I want to know what is the Lord saying?

* It doesn’t matter what people are saying or what The economy is saying or what The government is saying

* I want to know: what is The Lord saying? Is there a word from the Lord?

* One word From God changes everything

> One word from God will make you unbeatable

> One word from God will make you unshakeable

> One word From God will turn Famine into plenty
  
  Sickness onto health
  Weakness into strength
  Drought into Flood
  Nothing into Something

> One word from God will open closed doors

> One word from God will set the captives Free

Mt 8:8 a centurion came to Jesus on The behalf of his servant who was sick, Jesus Said: I will come and heal Him, But The Centurion said: you don’t Have to Come (all I NEED is A word)

Just Send the word (speak the Word only and my servant shall be Healed).

Tell your Neighbor (All you need is a Word).
Vs. 20 Jehoshaphat says; Believe in the Lord your God, so shall ye be established believe his prophets so shall ye prosper,

Thank God for prophets

❖ Thank God for men & Women
   Who walk close enough To God
   That They can hear His Voice
   & speak His Divine will

❖ All Through the bible it was the prophets
   That brought direction & guidance & correction
   to the Kings & The children of Israel.

❖ What did the prophet say?
   (He said Go out against Them and set yourselves, stand still
   and see The salvation of the lord).

❖ Jehoshaphat appointed singers to praise the lord and the beauty of His holiness.

Somebody lift your hands and praise God