

Devotional: Day 2

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They stood together, all in one accord. The mission statement was simple: Rid themselves of the annoying Israelites. If that meant wiping them off the face of the earth, then so-be-it! Some of them didn't like each other; but that was another concern for another time. Treaties in place, they were all up for war.

This will be easy; they had the numbers, so it all should be over before dinner time.

The people of God were desolate. It had been brought to their attention that the neighbouring nations had joined forces, and were preparing to go to war against them.

What were they to do? They were just one nation against a multitude of tribes who were intent on destroying them. They were not great in number in comparison to the multitude rising up against them. What were they to do?

Where were the worshipers? Where were the songs of praises? Where had their hope gone?

All they had left was fear and confusion. The hearts of the people in the camp had sunk to rock bottom, like a lead anchor which had sunk to the bottom of the sea.

However, in the midst of the chaos and despair, could be found a **Levite**, a **worshiper**, who had heard the Word of the Lord. As he began to speak the Rhema Life-Giving Word, order replaced chaos, and faith once again ruled the hearts of God's people.

The situation had seemed ridiculous, they were on the verge of being wiped out and only drastic action would be able to save them, but the **worshipers** praised God! The enemy were marching towards them, and the worshipers **sung** their **praises** to God!

As the enemy advanced, they heard a mighty sound heading towards them... wait it came from behind ... and it was coming from the sides, both sides. They were surrounded!! What were they going to do? It was as if total chaos broke out as they realised the Israelites must have called for reinforcements. They were surrounded. They tried to fight back but it was too late.

Not one of the enemy camps was left standing.

2 Chronicles 20:22 (NLT): "At the very moment they began to sing and give praise, the Lord caused the armies of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir to start fighting among themselves."

The story above is based on **2 Chronicles 20:1-22**. There is so much we can learn from this passage of scripture, but I want to leave you with two questions:

- 1. Are you positioned to hear the prophetic voice of God?**
- 2. Do you know your praises can be heard by the enemy?**

As worshipers (Levites), we are called to be in tune with heaven, ready to sing or speak the words from the Father's heart to those who are fearful, those who are desolate, offering them hope and restoring their faith.

Do not undervalue your worship. It is powerful. The sound of your worship to God confuses the enemy, causing disarray and mayhem in their ranks. It is a powerful weapon, strong enough to bring down strongholds!

Application

Yesterday we learnt we are carriers of the presence of God and should be setting the atmosphere with His presence wherever we go.

Today give thanks to God **no matter what may come your way**. When you are waiting for the bus in the cold, give Him thanks. When you are stuck on a crowded train, give Him thanks and when someone cuts you up as you drive, give Him thanks. Do not waste an opportunity to thank Him. Watch and see the difference it will make to your day.

So, give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His mercy endures forever.