

## **55**Jehoshaphat and the Battle

2 Chronicles 20

"King Jehoshaphat!!" shouted a soldier. "There's a huge army coming to attack us!" Jehoshaphat, king of Judah, was afraid. Three armies were marching toward them. What should he do? Jehoshaphat chose to ask God how to handle it.

The king declared a fast and people from every town in Judah joined in. They prayed and asked God for help.

"We don't know what to do," prayed Jehoshaphat. "But, Lord, we are watching You."

God heard and answered Jehoshaphat's prayers.

"Don't be afraid. This battle isn't yours," God's messenger said. "March out tomorrow and stand strong. God will deliver you."

Hearing this, they praised God and were glad.

Early the next morning, they marched out with the army. Out in front they put, not the soldiers, but singers who were praising God. They sang, "Give thanks to the Lord! His love lasts forever."

While they sang God made the three armies angry at each other, and they fought themselves. When Jehoshaphat got there only the armies' stuff was left. So

the people spent three days collecting all the treasures the armies had left behind. God had won the battle for them!

