

King Jehosaphat - Surprising Joy (II Chronicles 17-20)

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A Brief Overview of Jehosaphat's Reign (more info in I Kings 22):

Chapter 17: Jehosaphat's Spiritual Leadership (God's Blessing)

Chapter 18: Jehosaphat's Foolishness (God's Protection)

Chapter 19: Jehosaphat's Administrative Leadership (God's Wisdom)

Chapter 20: Jehosaphat's Defining Moment (God's Promise)

Surprising Joy - the Story of "Jumping Jehosaphat"

Jehosaphat's Defining Moment (II Chronicles 20):

1. Jehosaphat's Problem - Conflict Ahead (20:1-2)

2. Jehosaphat's Response(20:3-4)

1) fear,

2) fasting,

3) seeking the Lord (20:3-4)

3. Jehosaphat's Prayer - before the temple courtyard (20:5-12)

- a. Proclaims God's Authority (20:6)**
- b. Proclaims God's Promise - GRACE (20:7)**
- c. Proclaims God's Salvation - crying out (20:8-9)**
- d. Exposes the Problem (20:10-11)**
- e. Lays out the issue and solution (20:12)**

1) Question of God's faithfulness

2) Reality of the situation (powerless)

3) Source of Direction - "our eyes are on you"

4. The Prophets Affirmation of God's Faithfulness and Plan (20:13-17)

"The battle is not yours but God's"

5. Jehosaphat has a worship service (20:18-19)

6. God Delivers Judah (20:20-25)

7. Worship Breaks Out and Peace Comes to Israel (20:26-30)

8. Overview of Jehosaphat's Reign - including his final blunder (20:31-37)