

Key Scripture

2 Samuel 5:20 NKJV

"The Lord has broken through my enemies before me, like a breakthrough of water."

The cost of doing right...

2 Chronicles 19:11-20:3

11 Take courage as you fulfill your duties,
and **may the Lord be with those who do what is right.**"

20 After this, the armies of the Moabites, Ammonites, and some of the Meunites declared war on Jehoshaphat. 2 Messengers came and told Jehoshaphat, "A vast army from Edom is marching against you from beyond the Dead Sea. They are already at Hazazon-tamar."

(This was another name for En-gedi.)

3 Jehoshaphat was terrified by this news and begged the Lord for guidance. He also ordered everyone in Judah to begin fasting.

The Backlash of Bad News...

✓ **Fear.**

Isaiah 35:4 NLT

Say to those with fearful hearts, "Be strong, and do not fear, for your God is coming to destroy your enemies. He is coming to save you."

✓ **Discouragement.**

John 16:33 NASU

In the world you have tribulation but **take courage**; I have overcome the world.

✓ **Fight your battles alone.**

John 14:15-16 NLT

15 "If you love Me, obey My commandments. 16 And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Advocate, who **will never leave you.**

✓ **Unbelief.**

Mark 1:15

"The time promised by God has come at last!" He announced.

"The Kingdom of God is near! Repent of your sins and believe the Good News!"

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God of the Breakthrough

Breaking Through Bad News

Marching to your Breakthrough...

1. **Pray Fast**

✓ Ask

2 Chronicles 20:4 NKJV

So Judah gathered together to **ask help from the Lord;**

✓ **Admit & Acknowledge.**

2 Chronicles 20:12 NLT

O our God, won't you stop them? **We are powerless** against this mighty army that is about to attack us. **We do not know what to do, but we are looking to You for help.**"

2. **Presence**

2 Chronicles 20:9 NLT

They said, 'Whenever we are faced with any calamity such as war, plague, or famine, we can come to **stand in Your presence** before this Temple where Your name is honored.

We can cry out to You to save us, and You will hear us and rescue us.'

2 Chronicles 20:14-15 NKJV

14 Then **the Spirit of the Lord came upon Jahaziel**...in the midst of the assembly.

15 And he said, "Listen, all you of Judah and you inhabitants of Jerusalem, and you, King Jehoshaphat! Thus says the Lord to you: **'Do not be afraid nor dismayed because of this great multitude, for the battle is not yours, but God's.**

3. **Position of Praise**

2 Chronicles 20:17 NKJV

You will not need to fight in this battle. **Position yourselves**, stand still and see the salvation of the Lord, who is with you, O Judah and Jerusalem!"
Do not fear or be dismayed; tomorrow go out against them, for the Lord is with you."

2 Chronicles 20:20-21 NLT

20... **Believe in the Lord your God, and you will be able to stand firm.**

Believe in His prophets, and you will succeed."

21 After consulting the people, **the king appointed singers to walk ahead of the army, singing to the Lord and praising Him** for His holy splendor. This is what they sang:

"Give thanks to the Lord; His faithful love endures forever!"

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