

**WORSHIP INVITES
GOD INTO THE
BATTLE!**

³ Yet you are holy,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

Psalm 22:3 (NLT)

¹ Hear my prayer, O Lord; listen to my plea! Answer me because you are faithful and righteous.

² Don't put your servant on trial, for no one is innocent before you.

³ My enemy has chased me. He has knocked me to the ground and forces me to live in darkness like those in the grave.

Psalm 143:1-6 (NLT)

⁴ I am losing all hope; I am **paralyzed with fear**.

⁵ I remember the days of old. I ponder all your great works and think about what you have done.

⁶ **I lift my hands to you in prayer.** I thirst for you as parched land thirsts for rain.

Psalm 143:1-6 (NLT)

⁶ This is why I remind you to fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave you when I laid my hands on you. ⁷ For God has not given us a **spirit of fear** and timidity, but of **power, love, and self-discipline**.

2 Timothy 1: 6-7 (NLT)

**GOD IS A
WARRIOR**

*Until we start seeing God as a warrior
and worshipping God as a warrior, we
will live life fighting our own battles.*

¹¹ I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. ¹² His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself.

Revelation 19:11-16 (NIV)

¹³ He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God.¹⁴ The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean.¹⁵ Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter."

Revelation 19:11-16 (NIV)

He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. ¹⁶ On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written:

KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Revelation 19:11-16 (NIV)

The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to **bind up** the brokenhearted, to proclaim **freedom** for the captives and **release** from darkness for the prisoners,

Isaiah 61:1-3 (NIV)

² to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn, ³ and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a **garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.**

Isaiah 61:1-3 (NIV)

³ Alarmed, Jehoshaphat resolved to inquire of the Lord, and he proclaimed a fast for all Judah. ⁴ The people of Judah came together to seek help from the Lord;

2 Chronicles 20:3 (NIV)

¹² For we have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us. We do not know what to do, **but our eyes are on you.**"

2 Chronicles 20:12 (NIV)

¹⁵ He said: "Listen, King Jehoshaphat and all who live in Judah and Jerusalem! This is what the Lord says to you: 'Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's. ¹⁶ Tomorrow march down against them. They will be climbing up by the Pass of Ziz, and you will find them at the end of the gorge in the Desert of Jeruel.

2 Chronicles 20:15-17 (NIV)

¹⁷ You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you, Judah and Jerusalem. **Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.** Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you.'"

2 Chronicles 20:15-17 (NIV)

¹⁸ Jehoshaphat bowed down with his **face to the ground**, and all the people of Judah and Jerusalem fell down in **worship before the Lord**. ¹⁹ Then some Levites from the Kohathites and Korahites stood up and praised the Lord, the God of Israel, with a very loud voice.

2 Chronicles 20:18-19 (NIV)

²⁰ Early in the morning they left for the Desert of Tekoa. As they set out, Jehoshaphat stood and said,
“Listen to me, Judah and people of Jerusalem!
Have faith in the Lord your God and you will be upheld; have faith in his prophets and you will be successful.”

2 Chronicles 20:20-22 (NIV)

²¹ After consulting the people, Jehoshaphat **appointed men to sing** to the Lord and to **praise him for the splendor of his holiness** as they went out at the head of the army, saying:
"Give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures forever."

2 Chronicles 20:20-22 (NIV)

²² As they **began to sing and praise**, the Lord set **ambushes** against the men of Ammon and Moab and Mount Seir who were invading Judah, and they were defeated.

2 Chronicles 20:20-22 (NIV)

Do it scared:

Fear does not have to disappear
before you obey God.

²⁵ About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. ²⁶ Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everyone's chains came loose.

Acts 16:25-26 (NIV)

My lips will glorify you because your faithful love is better than life. So I will bless you as long as I live; at your name, I will lift up my hands.

Psalm 63:3-4 CSB

¹⁹ He took some bread and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and gave it to the disciples, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

²⁰ After supper he took another cup of wine and said, "This cup is the new covenant between God and his people—an agreement confirmed with my blood, which is poured out as a sacrifice for you."

Luke 22:19-20 (NLT)