



I. Jehoshaphat Turns to the Community

- A. The Community Responds
 - i. they **came together**...from every town in Judah (vs. 4)
 - ii. all the men/wives/children/babies of Judah (vs. 13)
 - iii. “stood before the Lord” (vs. 5, 13) – take your stand! (Eph. 6:13)
 - iv. The “new court” (vs. 5b) – as a priest before the people and God
- B. Fasting together
 - i. Fasting = Tsum = from "Sum" = "To Cover" (your mouth)
 - ii. Time is not the goal – heart transformation is the goal
- C. Seeking the Help of the Lord together
 - i. Seeking help = Baquash – to seek the face of God
 - ii. They came together from all Judah to the Temple
 - iii. “My ears shall be attentive... in this place” (2 Chr. 7:15)
- D. Our responsibility (2 Chr. 7:14; John 17:22 ; I Cor. 12)

II. Jehoshaphat Leads the Community in Praise

- A. God’s attributes (vs. 6)
 - i. THE God in heaven! – Yes! Yahweh is God! (I Kings 8:23)
 - ii. The ruler over all nations! – Yes!
 - iii. Absolute power over all things/people! – Yes!
- B. God’s actions (vs. 7 – 9)
 - i. God defeated Israel’s enemies! – Yes! History is His Story!
 - ii. God provided land for His people! – Yes!
 - iii. God will hear us and save us! – Yes!
- C. God’s adversity (vs. 10, 11)
 - i. People you protected are now threatening us!
 - ii. They are trying to take the Land YOU gave us!
- D. God’s ability (vs. 12)
 - i. God will judge them! – Yes! – He will do the judging, not us!
 - ii. We are totally helpless before them! – Yes! – He will help us, not us!
 - iii. We do not know what to do! – Yes! – He knows, not us!
 - iv. Our eyes are upon you! – Yes! – He will work, not us!