

Laboring in Prayer Notes

2 Chronicles 20

Four key elements in Jehoshaphat's prayer.

1. Confess – He confessed his own _____.
2. Honor – He honored the Lord and purposely _____ Yahweh.
3. Ask – He asked the Lord for help. They had the expectation that only _____ can meet their needs and give them victory.
4. Thank – He appointed people to sing thanks to God as they went before the army. To *give thanks* means “to cast or _____.”

The twin weapons for battle were prayer and praise. While they were praying and praising, God pulverized their enemies without them even having to fight.

Confess – Psalm 32:5

1. When you pay a fine your conscience is clear because you are paid up.
2. We owe a fine for our sins. We could never pay them off so Jesus did it for us, providing forgiveness and cleansing.
3. The first step is to recognize our sin and repent from it (Psalm 32:5)
 - _____ it – Psalm 32:5 uses *I* or *my* 8 times.
 - _____ it – no more hiding.
 - _____ it – agree with what God already knows.

Honor – Psalm 29

1. Psalm 29 declares God's supremacy in...
 - The _____
 - Nature _____
 - _____
2. Seven times the voice of the Lord is described.
 - It is an _____ voice.
 - Our God is a God who _____.
 - He is not silent.
 - Jesus is identified as the very “Word.”
3. Revelation 5:13

Ask – 1 John 5:14

1. Our heart
 - _____
 - Confident
2. According
 - Guidelines
 - God's _____
3. Results
 - Knowing
 - He _____
4. You can be _____ God hears your prayers when you ask according to His will.

Thanks – Psalm 9:1

1. It is a _____ decision.
2. It is an _____.
 - It has the idea of motion – casting or lifting up.
3. The _____ is the source we give it to.
4. Give it with our _____ heart.
 - Means each, every, all.
5. Be specific.
 - *Recount* is a verb that means “to number and _____.”
 - *Wonderful* refers to extraordinary acts and difficult deeds.
 - We are to express our thankfulness for the good and the not-so-good things in our lives.
6. I must stay grateful and generous because God is so good to me (Psalm 118:29).
 - Our first response to God's goodness and mercy to us should be _____.
 - Our second response should be _____.