

2 Chronicles 17, 19-20

We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.

2 Chronicles 20:12

Readings this week:

- S 2 Chronicles 17:1-12
- M 2 Chronicles 19:4-11
- T 2 Chronicles 20:1-12
- W 2 Chronicles 20:13-30
- Th Psalm 123
- F Psalm 27
- S Hebrews 12:1-13

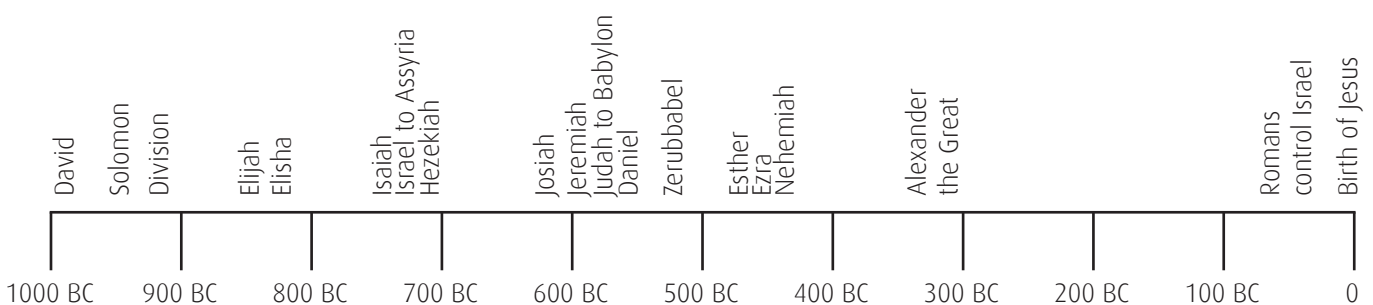
Jehoshaphat wanted to encourage people to follow God. Look at 2 Chronicles 17:1-10 and 19:4-11. Use the verses to help you write an advertisement for the judges and teachers Jehoshaphat wanted to appoint.

When the people marched out to battle, Jehoshaphat put the singers at the front. They led the way, singing praises to God. The words that they sang are also recorded at the beginning of Psalm 136. Maybe they used the whole Psalm to sing! Have a look at the Psalm - what does it tell us about what the people were thinking?

Jehoshaphat reigned in Judah at the same time as Ahab reigned in Israel. Look at the conversation between them in 2 Chronicles 18:3-7. What does this tell us about their different attitudes to God?



Jehoshaphat prayed to God in front of all the people. Read the prayer in 2 Chronicles 20:6-12. What did the prayer tell the people about God? Write your ideas here.



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Above: map showing the location of Tekoa.
Right: the wilderness of Tekoa.

Digging Deeper

Jehoshaphat's family

The kings of Israel and Judah can be rather confusing around this time. Look up the following verses and make a family tree. Try not to be put off by the fact that some people have the same name and that Jorams are sometimes called Jehoram. 1 Kings 16:30, 1 Kings 22:41, 1 Kings 22:50 and 51, 2 Kings 1:2 and 16-17 and 3:1, 2 Kings 8:16, 18, 25 and 26.

Why did Jehoshaphat arrange for his son to marry Athaliah? Was it a good idea? 1 Kings 22:44 2 Chronicles 19:1-2,
How else did Jehoshaphat make friends with Israel? Was this a good idea? 2 Chronicles 20:35-37.

Pray
that you will
always turn to
God for guidance
in your life