

Seek First the Kingdom of God at 6:33 Series

Stand Still, Praise God and Get the Victory – Part 2

A. Seek First the Kingdom of God at 6:33.

- 1. **Matt 6:33** says, But seek First the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.
 - a. Can you get up earlier to seek the Kingdom of God and to pray? (Preferably pray for at least an hour)
 - b. Most people work 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Can you join us to be a Hearer and Doer (HD) of Matthew **6:33** by praying daily at **6:33 a.m.**?
 - c. **ABC 6:33** Also at **6:33 a.m.,** in your time zone, wherever you live, we are **A**ssembling the **B**ody of **C**hrist spiritually, knowing that we are all supporting each other with daily prayer.
 - d. When the devil steps it up to attack more, we step it up to get up earlier and pray even more!
- 2. Be a Hearer and Doer of a secret charitable deed.
- 3. Pray in a secret, private place.

Matt 6:1-4 Matt 6:5-6

- a. Matt 6:5-6 5 "And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites. For they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the corners of the streets, that they may be seen by men. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. 6 But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.
- b. **Praise Stills** The Enemy.
 - i. Ps 8:2 (KJV) 2 Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength because of thine enemies, that thou mightest **still** the enemy and the avenger.
 - STRONGS H7673 = "still" in Hebrew means (to cause the enemy and the avenger or punisher or revenger to) "cease, desist (stop), rest."
 - ii. Ps 8:2 (The Living Bible) You have taught the little children to praise you Perfectly. May their example shame and silence your enemies!
 - iii. Matt 21:16 And Jesus said to them, "Yes. Have you never read, out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants, you have perfected praise'?"
 - Strong's G2675 "perfected" praise in the Hebrew means "to make complete" or "strengthen" you. When you perfect praise you are strengthened and made complete. Praise is a strong, complete, and perfect weapon to destroy your enemy.
- c. One of the most powerful weapons Christians have against our enemy, is to have perfected praise to God out loud.



- d. 2 Chron 20: 1-14 After calling a time to pray & fast because a multitude of the enemy with a much larger army declared war. King Jehoshaphat sought God what to do.
- e. 2 Chron 20:15-16 After the prayer and fasting, God gave King Jehoshaphat a specific answer through Jahaiel, a Levite priest who gave a prophetic Word from God where to go and said,... "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**."
- f. 2 Chron 20:17 God told them they would not need to fight in this battle. 17 "You will not need to fight in this battle. Position yourselves, stand <u>still</u> and see (watch or get) 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."
- g. 2 Chron 20:21 Jehoshaphat put Praisers in front of his army to sing praises to God singing, "Give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures forever."
- h. 2 Chron 20:22-26 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; and they carried off their plunder.
- i. I believe that the enemy was so confused that they started to fight one another and every one of them died...
 - like when God defeated Pharoah's army (Ex 14:24-25);
 - like at the Tower of Babel (Gen 11:4); and
 - like when God promised Moses that He would put confusion on all his enemies and cause them to be defeated (Deut 7:23-24).
- j. 2 Chron 20:27-28 King Jehoshaphat and the men of Judah and Jerusalem returned joyfully, for the Lord supernaturally defeated the 3 enemy armies.
- k. 2 Chron 20:29-30 29 The fear of God came on all the surrounding kingdoms when they heard how the Lord had fought against the enemies of Israel.
 30 And the kingdom of Jehoshaphat was at peace, for his God had given him rest on every side.
- I. Acts 16:25-26 (AMPC) 25 But about midnight, as Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns of praise to God, and the [other] prisoners were listening to them, 26 Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the very foundations of the prison were shaken; and at once all the doors were opened and everyone's shackles were unfastened.
- m. So let's perfect praise by singing to the Lord every day saying, "Give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures forever," which <u>stills</u> the avenger, defeats the enemy and gets us victory over every challenge in our lives!