

*SUNDAY MORNING – Pastor P. van der Hoek
January 7, 2024*

Pre-service Psalter 317:1-2**

Silent Congregational Prayer

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 317:3-4**

Reading of the Law: Exodus 20

Psalter 35:4-5**

Scripture Reading: 2 Chronicles 20:1-30

Congregational Prayer

Offerings for the Lord's service (2 collections)

Psalter 121**

Text: 2 Chronicles 20:17

Theme: The Battle is the Lord's!

1. Filled with Fear

2. No Need to Fight

3. Forward in Faith

Prayer

Psalter 90:1,3,5 **

Benediction

Doxology: "Praise God..." **

** Please stand if you are able

1. Think about your personal burdens and battles. What are your fears? How can you learn from what Jehoshaphat did?
2. Jahaziel prophesied by the Spirit (vs. 14) what were the results in the hearts of the king and the people? How do we know that the Spirit works in us?
3. How does this passage lead us to the Lord Jesus? What parallels are there Christ's work of salvation in the believer's life and this history?
4. As you move forward into this new year, how do you want to move forward? What do you need to move forward? Do you need any changes in the way you move forward? Meditate and pray about this.
5. * Why was King Jehoshaphat afraid? What did he do when he was afraid? What did it mean that the Lord fought the battle for him? How did they move toward the battlefield, who went before the army? What can you learn about faith from Jehoshaphat's life? *

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

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Pre-service Psalter 374:1,4 **

Silent Congregational Prayer

Votum and Salutation

Psalter 14:1-2,7 **

Scripture Reading: Acts 19:11-20

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Congregational Prayer

Offerings for the Lord's service (2 collections)

Psalter 173:1-4 **

Text: Acts 19:13

Confessional Support: Heidelberg Catechism LD 36

Theme: For the Fame of His Name

1. Jesus' Name Manipulated

2. Jesus' Name Magnified

Prayer

Psalter 178 **

Benediction

Doxology: 318:7**

** Please stand if you are able

2. In what ways did the sons of Sceva take the name of God in vain? Can you think about some ways in which we can take the name of God in vain?
3. What is the heart-issue behind taking God's name in vain? Whose names are recognized in hell? Is yours?
4. How was this incident with the sons of Sceva a catalyst for the keeping of the third commandment? What specific actions did show the people's repentance and brought glory to God's name?
5. How can we be not held guilty for trespassing this commandment?
6. * What did the sons of Sceva do that was against the 3rd commandment? How did that turn out for them? What does it mean to magnify God's name? Do you seek to magnify God's name? How can we? *

Question for Self-reflection

In what ways have you taken God's name in vain?

* Questions for younger children

Family Sermon Discussion Questions:

1. What does it mean to take God's name in vain? Why does God take this so seriously?