

God Mode Activated - week 3 Praise/Presence of God

07.16.17

God sees (Jahaziel)
God decides (Jehoshaphat)
God acts (Beracah)

Intro (Josh has already introduced me / e-mail intro / bio)

[A] So who is this guy, Tim Perry, why am I here?

He is my family (Pic)

Cheryl, Omaha Street School / Bridges - Poverty)

Aaron & Sam

Rhobe (Ryan)

Silas Soph, driving, D.R. trip, Central High

Came to Omaha 2006

Evang. Director @ CCC

Friends Mark/Kelle

Job shut down, let go Dec 2016

→ Training

→ Events

→ Gathering

PRCS OF LIFE

(2014)

Christianity Explored

Working again for IVCF

GFM (Pic/Slide)

Area Director IA, KS, NE, MO

Perryboilerroom.com (Pic/Slide)

If you want to track my me

Get to know my family / IVCF a little better

Getting to know your church

EC Evang. Covenant

CCC Celebration Cov. last summer

Dawn / Rob

Can you guess where we first met?

Green Beans Coffee!

[B] Message Intro

So... what have you thought of God Made Activated ^{so far}

When Roo called me, explained series
"So what do you want me to teach on?"

Love the challenge of fitting in (instead doing my thing)
Bringing God/God's PROMISES into
our daily life

2 THINGS I've noticed so far, that play into today's message

[1] God's not afraid of showing up
in the midst of un-wanted DIFFICULTY

Seems to thrive in places/situations that are

Un-likely Abrah/Sari (age)

Un-welcome

Un-certainty

(feed on) Insecurity, Fear (Grants in the land)

He doesn't avoid things that are
Trouble-prone
Broken
Fragile

Danger →

God can work through the MESS of our broken world.

[2] Names are a very big deal

IDENTITY

People names are a huge due to what
is happening

Names for places are just as important

SCENE ONE - An Unwanted Predicament

2 Chron 20
(w 1-9)

Pre-read

Period of Kings, Divided Monarchy (Isr/Jud)
South (Judah) - Jehoshaphat avoided disaster w/ Syrians
North (Israel) - Ahab's campaign against Syria
Back in Jerusalem
Appointed judges
Re-Affirmed role of priests
Turned the hearts of people back to God
Away from idolatry

★ Chapter 19 ⇒ Life is Good Plateau/Chapter

Read 2 Chron 20:

Slide 1 - (w 1-4)

Slide 2 - (w 5-9)

Jehoshaphat is just like you and me when something really big lands in our lap.

The Reflex Reaction ... Deliberate Response

w 3-4

① Fear

Natural Rx to danger
Healthy
Humble (no ego to defend)

② Sought God

Not gravitate to despair
Not immed try to fix it

③ Declared fast
Community action

① Appeal to God's
IDENTITY

v6 God in heaven
ruler of everything

② Appeal to God's
past actions v7 & 8

③ Jehoshaphat

Let God decide v12

Scene One - Conclusion

So... how about us? Right here? Right now?

I know I'm guest-speaker guy, but can I meddle a little in your personal life?

① What is happening in your life?

Is there anything currently threatening your faith/well-being?

Unexpected, Unwelcomed, Undeserved?

Usually not a military threat that uproots our life

Economic/Job loss/Financial crisis

Relationship crisis/loss (divorce, death)

Health crisis

Accidents Natural disaster Loss of home

June 13,
2016

② No matter what the Loss/CRISIS/THREAT

How are you reacting to it?

A healthy REFLEX reaction is a great set up for a mature DELIBERATE response

Prayer moves us from Reflex $\Rightarrow$ Deliberate

Self-leadership  $\longrightarrow$ 

Prayer gets us to where "Let God decide."

Prayer $\rightarrow$ move

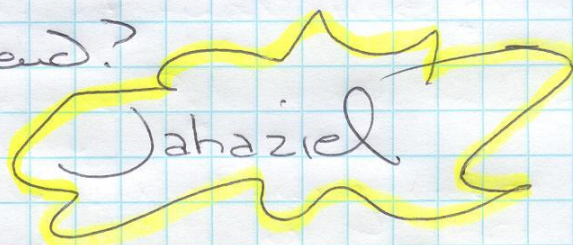
Scene two God-Mode Activated 2 Chron 20: 13-17

So far we've just been playing around in the shallow end of the pool.

This is what Jehoshaphat has had to do JUST TO GET IN THE GAME FOLKS

It's now God-Mode-Activation time, and it's going to shock you what God does when he "shows up"

Ready to dive in the deep end?



Read w 13-17 Slides

Did you notice what God did FIRST in the situation

Didn't deal directly w enemy

Didn't work a miracle to rescue them

He raised up a person

Brought someone new into the problem

① Jahaziel Who is he? Where does he come from?

Names mean a big deal...

Jahaziel - Yahweh sees

Think of how his name speaks to their situation

The agony of a crisis, that no one sees or notices

If Jehoshaphat was a constant encouragement to Let God decide, Let God be the Judge

Then Jahaziel is a constant reminder that God is present, God does see, God does notice

② What is his background? Jahaziel...

5th Gen descendant of Asaph

Asaph was King David's primo worship-leader & psalm writer

JEHAZIELK

Asaph's authority is coming from the power of the Holy Spirit

→ No expertise in fighting

→ Not a Caleb 85 yrs old & still scrappy

God-Mode Activation is OUT OF THE BOX

Because Jehoshaphat showed good leadership early stages of conflict...



He now has the composure/humility to recognize true God Mode Activation

God-Mode :

[1]

Brought someone else with different gifts and preparation to the scene

[2]

Brought a creative solution to the conflict

[3]

Still required the people to face off w/ their enemy

[4]

Absolutely demanded faith in God's character and God's way of doing things.

[5]

Was not easy but it did lead to a

it demanded great faith from God's people and their leaders

HAD TO FOLLOW THEIR LEADERS

God didn't short-circuit leaders

Crisis can cut us off from God-Made if we're not careful

Toxic Lies we can believe that can prevent us from recognizing God Made

- ① I can handle this on my own - it's my problem, no one else's.
- ② There's no time to wait around for God to do something V9 bottom
- ③ This is really not that big of a deal - it might just go away all by itself
- ④ My sense of loss is absolute ~~an~~ total and permanent. I will never get my joy back.
- ⑤ God may have done miracles in ~~the~~ bible times, he doesn't ~~or~~ seem to move like that today.
- ⑥ The people God's put around me don't know a thing about my specific struggles
- ⑦ God hasn't delivered me yet - he probably isn't planning to.

V9

if calamity comes upon us, whether the sword of judgment or plague or famine, we will stand in your presence before this temple that bears your name, and will cry out to you in our distress

← The Results :

Closing Scene

Do we really have to worship God?

Why do we really have to worship God?

Why is it so important to worship God?

READ 2 Chron 20:18-23

Worship isn't a way to make God happy so he does what we need him to. (magic/paganism)

Worship isn't primarily a way to say thanks to God for his gifts to us.

{ Save the worship till we see if we get thru this crisis or not. }

Worship wasn't a weapon that caused the victory

* Worship was how God's people recognized his presence with them.

Ps 22:3 says "you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel"

Intercession - helped Jehoshaphat see what was at stake for his people and helped him see his need for God to decide what to do.

Jahaziel
Worship shows God's people what's at stake for God himself. He is at work to wake us his people, to make his glory

known to the nations

Jahaziel

Scene 3 Why is it so important to
WORSHIP

what worship is NOT

Worship

① How we know God is
with us

② Reminds us of what God
has done in the past
and what his character
is like

③ Worship is how we get
out of our personal
crisis and see what's at
stake FOR GOD

God's glory to the nations

*David's Song of Thanks**2 Chron 20:21**Parts of
Ps 105, 96, 106*

- 8 ^fOh give thanks to the LORD; ^gcall upon his name;
^hmake known his deeds among the peoples!
- 9 Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!
- 10 Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!
- 11 ⁱSeek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually!
- 12 ^jRemember the wondrous works that he has done,
^khis miracles and the judgments he uttered,
- 13 O offspring of Israel his servant,
children of Jacob, his chosen ones!
- 14 He is the LORD our God;
^lhis judgments are in all the earth.
- 15 Remember his covenant forever,
the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations,
- 16 the covenant ^mthat he made with Abraham,
his sworn promise to Isaac,
- 17 which ⁿhe confirmed to Jacob as a statute,
to Israel as an everlasting covenant,
- 18 saying, ^o“To you I will give the land of Canaan,
as your portion for an inheritance.”
- 19 When you were ^pfew in number,
of little account, and ^qsojourners in it,
- 20 wandering from nation to nation,
from one kingdom to another people,
- 21 he allowed no one to oppress them;
he ^rrebuked kings on their account,
- 22 saying, “Touch not my anointed ones,

Moabites / Ammonites

- 22 saying, "Touch not my anointed ones,
do my ^s prophets no harm!"
- 23 ^t Sing to the LORD, all the earth!
Tell of his salvation from day to day.
- 24 Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!
- 25 For "great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
and he is to be feared" above all gods.
- 26 For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,
^w but the LORD made the heavens.
- 27 Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and joy are in his place.
- 28 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,
^x ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
- 29 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come before him!
- ^y Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;¹
- 30 tremble before him, all the earth;
yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.
- 31 ^z Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice,
and let them say among the nations, ^a "The LORD reigns!"
- 32 ^b Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
let the field exult, and everything in it!
- 33 Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy
before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.
- 34 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!
- 35 ^c Say also:
"Save us, O God of our salvation,
and gather and deliver us from among the nations,
that we may give thanks to your holy name
and glory in your praise."
- 36 ^d Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel,
from everlasting to everlasting!"

Kid's Message - Let God Decide

Who am I?

Tim & Cheryl (point her out) Perry
New to your church
Friends w/ Roo/Dawn & Josh
Get to be your guest teacher today

Here's Q we're think about for couple minutes.

What do you do when something really big
and really difficult happens to
you or your family

LEWIS

Pastor Roo told me about a family who's whole
house got destroyed in a storm a couple
of weeks ago.

King
Guy in the bible talk about today who was
facing a terrible crisis

Clue about what to do in the meaning of
this King's name:

Jehoshaphat

Gee Hoss is that!
Bonanza throwback

Jeho - Shaphat
God Has judged/decided

Let God Decide

Ahab's desire to go to battle
Was it God's idea?

How?

Pray before doing anything
Talk about the problem
Share the problem w/ someone else