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Joel
2:28-29
NLT

²⁸ “Then, after doing all those things, I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your old men will dream dreams, and your young men will see visions. ²⁹ In a days I will pour out my Spirit even on servants—men and women alike.”

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Then, after what?

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Joel
1:14
NLT


¹⁴ Announce a time of fasting; call the people together for a solemn meeting. Bring the leaders and all the people of the land into the Temple of the Lord your God, and cry out to him there.



Joel
2:12-13
NLT

¹² That is why the Lord says, “Turn to me now, while there is time. Give me your hearts. Come with fasting, weeping, and mourning. ¹³ Don't tear your clothing in your grief, but tear your hearts instead. Return to the Lord your God, for he is merciful and compassionate, slow to get angry and filled with unfailing love.”

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A photograph of a person standing on a grassy hill in a foggy landscape. The person is small and silhouetted against the mist. The foreground is filled with dry, brown grass. The background is a thick, white fog that obscures the horizon. The image is partially covered by a white geometric shape on the right side.

God was calling His people to **fast** and to pray and if they did that then **after** would come.

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The then, **after** of
prayer and fasting.



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2 Chronicles
20:2a, 3-6a
NLT

²Messengers came and told Jehoshaphat, “A vast army from Edom is marching against you from beyond the Dead Sea.”

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2 Chronicles
20:2a, 3-6a
NLT

³ Jehoshaphat was terrified by this news and begged the Lord for guidance. He also ordered everyone in Judah to begin fasting. ⁴ So people from all the towns of Judah came to Jerusalem to seek the Lord's help.

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2 Chronicles

20:2a, 3-6a

NLT

⁵ Jehoshaphat stood before the community of Judah and Jerusalem in front of the new courtyard at the Temple of the Lord. ⁶ He prayed...

A woman with long blonde hair, wearing a red and black plaid shirt, is sitting on a large, dark rock. She is looking out over a vast, dense forest of tall evergreen trees. The scene is captured from a slightly elevated angle, showing the woman's back and the expanse of the forest below. The lighting is soft, suggesting a misty or overcast day. The image is partially obscured by a white diagonal line that separates it from the text on the right.

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God **responds** after
prayer and fasting.

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2 Chronicles
20:13-14a,
15-17
NLT

¹³ As all the men of Judah stood before the Lord with their little ones, wives, and children, ¹⁴ the Spirit of the Lord came upon one of the men standing there. His name was Jahaziel son of Zechariah

¹⁵ He said, “Listen, all you people of Judah and

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2 Chronicles
20:13-14a,
15-17
NLT

Jerusalem! Listen, King Jehoshaphat! This is what the Lord says: Do not be afraid! Don't be discouraged by this mighty army, for the battle is not yours, but God's.¹⁶ Tomorrow, march out against them. You will find them coming up through the ascent of Ziz at the end of the

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2 Chronicles
20:13-14a,
15-17
NLT

valley that opens into the wilderness of Jeruel. ¹⁷ But you will not even need to fight. Take your positions; then stand still and watch the Lord's victory. He is with you, O people of Judah and Jerusalem. Do not be afraid or discouraged. Go out against them tomorrow, for the Lord is with you!”

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God brings victory
after prayer and fasting.





2 Chronicles **20:21-24** **NLT**

²¹ After consulting the people, the king appointed singers to walk ahead of the army, singing to the Lord and praising him for his holy splendor. This is what they sang:

“Give thanks to the Lord;
his faithful love endures forever!”

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2 Chronicles **20:21-24** **NLT**

²² At the very moment they began to sing and give praise, the Lord caused the armies of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir to start fighting among themselves. ²³ The armies of Moab and Ammon turned against their allies from Mount Seir and killed every one of them. After they had

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2 Chronicles

20:21-24

NLT

destroyed the army of Seir, they began attacking each other. ²⁴ So when the army of Judah arrived at the lookout point in the wilderness, all they saw were dead bodies lying on the ground as far as they could see. Not a single one of the enemy had escaped.

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God brings **blessing** after prayer and fasting.



2 Chronicles

20:25-26

NLT

²⁵ King Jehoshaphat and his men went out to gather the plunder. They found vast amounts of equipment, clothing, and other valuables—more than they could carry. There was so much plunder that it took them three days just to collect it

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2 Chronicles

20:25-26

NLT

all! ²⁶ On the fourth day they gathered in the Valley of Blessing, which got its name that day because the people praised and thanked the Lord there. It is still called the Valley of Blessing today.



2 Chronicles

20:29-30

NLT

²⁹ When all the surrounding kingdoms heard that the Lord himself had fought against the enemies of Israel, the fear of God came over them. ³⁰ So Jehoshaphat's kingdom was at peace, for his God had given him rest on every side.



**THE THREE PART
21-DAY COMMITMENT**



THE THREE PART 21-DAY COMMITMENT



PART 1

Pray

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PART 1

Pray



PART 2

Fast

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PART 1

Pray



PART 2

Fast



PART 3

Assemble

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Matthew
6:33
ESV

³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

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Jeremiah
29:13
NLT

¹³ If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me.