

**Victory in the King**  
**Psalm 20:1-9**  
**July 5, 2015**

Main Point:

As a believer, you have been given victory in King Jesus; therefore, rejoice and boast in what the Lord has done for you.

1. This is a psalm of preparation for battle.
2. The people prayed for the victory of their King.
3. The people were assured of victory in their King.
4. The people responded by rejoicing and boasting in the victory of their King.
5. As a believer, you too have been given victory in your King; therefore, rejoice and boast in what the Lord has done for you.

**2 Chronicles 20:10-12** <sup>10</sup> "And now, here are the people of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir-- whom You would not let Israel invade when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned from them and did not destroy them-- <sup>11</sup> "here they are, rewarding us by coming to throw us out of Your possession which You have given us to inherit. <sup>12</sup> "O our God, will You not judge them? For we have no power against this great multitude that is coming against us; nor do we know what to do, but our eyes *are* upon You."

**2 Chronicles 20:17** <sup>17</sup> "You will not *need* to fight in this *battle*. Position yourselves, stand still and see 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."

**2 Chronicles 20:18, 27-28** <sup>18</sup> And Jehoshaphat bowed his head with *his* face to the ground, and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem bowed before the LORD, worshiping the LORD ... <sup>27</sup> Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, with Jehoshaphat in front of them, to go back to Jerusalem with joy, for the LORD had made them rejoice over their enemies. <sup>28</sup> So they came to Jerusalem, with stringed instruments and harps and trumpets, to the house of the LORD. (NKJV)

**2 Samuel 21:16-17** <sup>16</sup> Then Ishbi-Benob, who *was* one of the sons of the giant, the weight of whose bronze spear *was* three hundred *shekels*, who was bearing a new *sword*, thought he could kill David. <sup>17</sup> But Abishai the son of Zeruiah came to his aid, and struck the Philistine and killed him. Then the men of David swore to him, saying, "You shall go out no more with us to battle, lest you quench the lamp of Israel." (NKJV)

**Allan Harman** "The introductory 'now' ... is important, as it is an adverb that often marks a change in narrative and especially in the prophetic books introduces imminent activities of the Lord, either in blessing or cursing ..."

**Isaiah 43:1** <sup>1</sup> But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called *you* by your name; You *are* Mine. (NKJV)

**James Montgomery Boice** "The first [Psalm 20] is a prayer for the king's victory in a day of battle. The second [Psalm 21] is a prayer of thanksgiving for that deliverance."

**Psalm 20:7** <sup>7</sup> Some *boast* in chariots and some in horses, But we will boast in the name of the LORD, our God. (NASB)

**Andrew Bonar** "This Psalm is the prayer which the Church might be supposed offering up, had all the redeemed stood by the cross, or in Gethsemane, in full consciousness of what was doing there."

**1 Corinthians 15:57** <sup>57</sup> But thanks *be* to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. (NKJV)