

Beyond The Sermon with Scripture References

A Sermon Application Guide

Title - Miraculous Praise

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Message Theme & Prayer Focus

Preparing For A Miracle

“Father, you have put a new song in my mouth, a melody of praise to you, the God of the universe. I pray many people will see you, discover a holy reverence of you, and place their trust in you. I love you and I long to play a part in bringing your Kingdom to Earth. Thank you for making me your hands and feet, and blessing me to be a blessing. Amen.”

Key Truths & Applications

We need to be aware that we have an enemy, not everything that happens to us is from God.

- If we never resist the devil, we'll never walk in all of the victories that God has for us.
- God's best doesn't just fall out of the sky. We get His best when we fight the good fight.
- The devil comes to steal, kill, and destroy. Everything that is good and pleasing and life-giving comes from God.

Praise is powerful, far beyond what we can see, and worshiping God creates an atmosphere.

- King Jehoshaphat, a Godly King of Judah, gathered his people to encourage them and build their faith in God. When enemy armies approached, he sent men before his army to sing praises to God which resulted in his enemies being ambushed and defeated.
- Paul and Silas were bound, chained, and secluded in prison, but they could still praise. In their darkest hour, they turned to God and praised Him, causing their shackles to fall, the doors to open, and their guard turning to the Lord as well.
- No matter what we face, if we praise God, an atmosphere of miracles will be set.

Where do you turn in the moments you don't feel like praising God? Do you distract yourself and fill up your schedule to avoid facing things? Do you flip through social media to look at the success of other people? Do you keep yourself unaware of His presence as you go about your day as normal? The bondage and chains on you are destroyed when you praise Him, even the ones you are not aware of. Not only are you designed for worship, you're invited to worship, and God desires it from you. It's a simple and beautiful way of honoring your Creator, Father, and friend, and can be done at any moment of any day.

Key Verses:

1 Peter 5:8 • 2 Chronicles 20:20-23 • 2 Kings 3:9-18 • Acts 10:38 • Acts 16:23-26 • John 10:10
• James 1:16 • 1 Kings 21:25 • Ezekiel 28:13 • 1 Samuel 16:23 • Daniel 3:7 • Hebrews 13:15

Declarations

"I will praise the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live." – Psalms 146:2

"God you are the creator of the heavens and the earth and all that is in them. You have always been faithful and you always will be. Whether life feels like too much to handle, is smooth sailing, or anything in-between, I will put my trust, my heart, and my focus on you. I praise you, and I know that in all things I am more than a conqueror because of your love. I love you, and I will sing your praises all of my life."

What's Next?

Now it's time to write down anything that the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, Thank Him and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture References

2 Kings 3:9-10 NKJV

So the king of Israel went with the king of Judah and the king of Edom, and they marched on that roundabout route seven days; and there was no water for the army, nor for the animals that followed them. 10 And the king of Israel said, "Alas! For the Lord has called these three kings together to deliver them into the hand of Moab."

1 John 5:19 AMPC

We know [positively] that we are of God, and the whole world [around us] is under the power of the evil one.

1 Peter 5:8 NKJV

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

1 Peter 5:9 NKJV

Resist him, steadfast in the faith...

1 Timothy 6:12 NKJV

Fight the good fight of faith...

Ephesians 6:12 NKJV

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers...

James 4:7 NKJV

...Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

1 Timothy 6:12 NKJV

Fight the good fight of faith...

1 John 5:19 AMPC

We know [positively] that we are of God, and the whole world [around us] is under the power of the evil one.

Acts 10:38 NKJV

how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil...

Acts 10:38 NKJV

...all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

John 10:10 ESV

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

James 1:16-17 NKJV

Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

2 Kings 3:11 NKJV

But Jehoshaphat said, "Is there no prophet of the Lord here, that we may inquire of the Lord by him?"...

2 Chronicles 16:12 NKJV

And in the thirty-ninth year of his reign, Asa became diseased in his feet, and his malady was severe; yet in his disease he did not seek the Lord, but the physicians.

Philippians 4:6 NKJV

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

Matthew 9:38 NKJV

Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."

2 Kings 3:11-12 NKJV

But Jehoshaphat said, "...that we may inquire of the Lord by him?" So one of the servants of the king of Israel answered and said, "Elisha the son of Shaphat is here, who poured water on the hands of Elijah." And Jehoshaphat said, "The word of the Lord is with him." So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat and the king of Edom went down to him.

2 Kings 3:12 NKJV

And Jehoshaphat said, "The word of the Lord is with him." ...

2 Kings 3:13-14 NKJV

Then Elisha said to the king of Israel, "What have I to do with you? Go to the prophets of your father and the prophets of your mother." But the king of Israel said to him, "No, for the Lord has called these three kings together to deliver them into the hand of Moab." And Elisha said, "As the Lord of hosts lives, before whom I stand, surely were it not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, I would not look at you, nor see you.

1 Kings 21:25 NKJV

But there was no one like Ahab who sold himself to do wickedness in the sight of the Lord, because Jezebel his wife stirred him up.

Genesis 18:19 KJV

For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord...

2 Kings 3:14 NKJV

And Elisha said, "As the Lord of hosts lives, before whom I stand, surely were it not that I regard the presence of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, I would not look at you, nor see you.

2 Kings 3:15 KJV

But now bring me a minstrel....

2 Kings 2:23 CSB

...As he was walking up the path, some small boys came out of the city and jeered at him, chanting, "Go up, baldy! Go up, baldy!"

2 Kings 2:24 TLV

...Then two she-bears came out of the woods and mauled 42 of the boys.

2 Kings 3:15 NKJV

But now bring me a musician." Then it happened, when the musician played, that the hand of the Lord came upon him.

Ezekiel 28:13-14 NKJV

You were in Eden, the garden of God; Every precious stone was your covering: The sardius, topaz, and diamond, Beryl, onyx, and jasper, Sapphire, turquoise, and emerald with gold. The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes Was prepared for you on the day you were created. "You were the anointed cherub who covers...

1 Samuel 16:23 NKJV

And so it was, whenever the spirit from God was upon Saul, that David would take a harp and play *it* with his hand. Then Saul would become refreshed and well, and the distressing spirit would depart from him.

Daniel 3:1-4 NKJV

Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height *was* sixty cubits *and* its width six cubits. He set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon. And King

Nebuchadnezzar sent *word* to gather together the satraps, the administrators, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. So the satraps, the administrators, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces gathered together for the dedication of the image that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up. Then a herald cried aloud: "To you it is commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages,

Daniel 3:5 NKJV

that at the time you hear the sound of the horn, flute, harp, lyre, and psaltery, in symphony with all kinds of music, you shall fall down and worship the gold image that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up;

2 Kings 3:15 AMPC

But now bring me a minstrel. And while the minstrel played, the hand and power of the Lord came upon [Elisha].

Psalms 22:3 NKJV

...Enthroned in the praises of Israel.

2 Chronicles 20:21 NKJV

And when he had consulted with the people, he appointed those who should sing to the Lord, and who should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army and were saying: "Praise the Lord, For His mercy endures forever."

2 Chronicles 20:22 NKJV

Now when they began to sing and to praise, the Lord set ambushes against the people of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah; and they were defeated.

Hebrews 13:15 NKJV

Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.

Acts 16:25-26 NKJV

But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the

foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed.

Isaiah 61:3 NKJV

...The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness...

Psalms 33:2 NKJV

Praise the Lord with the harp; Make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings.

1 Timothy 2:8 KJV

I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.

2 Kings 3:15-18 NKJV

But now bring me a musician." Then it happened, when the musician played, that the hand of the Lord came upon him. And he said, "Thus says the Lord: 'Make this valley full of ditches.' For thus says the Lord: 'You shall not see wind, nor shall you see rain; yet that valley shall be filled with water, so that you, your cattle, and your animals may drink.' And this is a simple matter in the sight of the Lord; He will also deliver the Moabites into your hand.

Luke 21:24 AMPC

...Jerusalem will be trodden down by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled (completed).

Psalms 34:1-3 NKJV

I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul shall make its boast in the Lord; The humble shall hear of it and be glad. Oh, magnify the Lord with me, And let us exalt His name together.

Ezra 3:10-11 NKJV

When the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the Lord... And they sang responsively, praising and giving thanks to the Lord: "For He is good, For His mercy endures forever toward Israel." Then all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid.

Mark 4:28 NKJV

...first the blade, then the head, after that the full grain in the head.

Mark 16:18 NKJV

...lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”