

THAT WE MIGHT HAVE HOPE

Part 5 - The Recovery

Text: Romans 15:4 NKJV

ASKING THE LORD IN PRAYER (1 Samuel 30:6-10 NKJV)

- Praying from a stronger place
 1. David's prayers for direction came after being strengthened
 2. David had a history of asking the Lord
 3. David was given a word to move on
- Asking God in prayer
 1. Wisdom says, don't assume, ask (**Matthew 7:7-8 NKJV**)
 2. Ask wisely - why did this happen is not the path to an answer
 3. God can give us words to go on

THE TOO TIRED TWO HUNDRED

- Trouble at the brook - 200 hundred men too tired to pursue
 1. Grieving, crying and blaming will wear on you
 2. Had to be discouraging for David to lose 1/3 of his fighting force
- David's amazing perspective
 1. No words of anger at the brook
 2. He treated these men better than they deserved (**1 Samuel 30:21-24 NKJV**)
 3. David acknowledged God as the source of their victory
- Keeping our eyes on the Lord
 1. Living in grief and despair will wear us out (**Psalms 119:28 NKJV**) (**Psalms 118:8-9 NKJV**)
 2. The more we depend on/acknowledge the Lord (**Matthew 10:8 NKJV**)

THE EGYPTIAN IN THE FIELD (1 Samuel 30:11-15 NKJV)

- Discovered in a bad way
 1. Sick, abandoned and weak
 2. Strength before help
 3. He was able to help David by taking him to the troops
- Strong enough to be of help
 1. When we are barely making it we're in no position to help others
 2. We have to be nourished spiritually (**1 Timothy 4:6 NKJV**)
 3. The stronger we are the more we're able to help the Lord and others (**2 Corinthians 5:15 NKJV**)