

MAKING IT PERSONAL

Jehovah-Shalom [The Lord is Peace]

Refer to the “Making it Personal” questions from Chapter 1, number 3. Choose the priority situation in your life you have been running from. What do you need to overcome that you have not yet conquered? With that in mind, ask the Lord for his wisdom in how to face this stress in your life. Face it, as Jehoshaphat did, while working through the following B-E-A-R format:

B – Believing the Word – Believing Comes Before Seeing

Describe what you need to believe—that you may have been afraid to believe before now—in order to overcome:

E – Expecting from the Word – Having Eyes on the Circumstances and on the Word at the Same Time is Impossible

What Scripture(s) has the Lord given you in answer to your prayer for wisdom? Write them out here and put on 3 x 5 card(s). Memorize them in order to keep them in your heart and mind:

A – Asking from the Word – Praying the Scripture, not the Problem

We have not because we ask not. Write out your specific request to the Lord.

R – Receiving from the Lord – Confessing the Word and Living the Word

What specifically do you need to change in your behavior (words, actions, or both) to line up with what you are asking from the Lord?

THE B-E-A-R FACTS OF FAITH

Bear one another's burdens and thus fulfill the law of Christ.

Galatians 6:2 NASB

B - BELIEVING THE WORD – “Believing Comes Before Seeing”

John 11:39-40 “But, Lord,” said Martha, the sister of the dead man, “by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been dead four days.” Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you **believe** you would **see** the glory of God?”

E – EXPECTING FROM THE WORD – “Having Eyes on the Circumstances and on the Word at the Same Time is Impossible”

2 Chronicles 20:12 “. . . we do not know what to do, but our **eyes are upon You.**”

Proverbs 4:20-23 “My son . . . listen closely to my **words**. Do not let them out of your **sight**: keep them within your **heart**; for they are life to those who find them”

Psalms 5:3 “In the morning, O Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in **expectation.**”

A – ASKING FROM THE WORD – “Taking the Answer to God, Not the Problem”

James 1:5 “If any of you lacks wisdom, he should **ask** of God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.”

James 4:2 “You do not have, because you do not **ask** God.”

R – RECEIVING FROM THE WORD – “Confessing and Living the Word”

Mark 11:23 “. . . and **does not doubt in his heart**, but **believes** that what he **says** will happen, it will be done for him.”

1 John 5:14-15 “And this is the confidence which we have in Him: that if we **ask** anything (make any request) **according to His will** (in agreement with His own plan) He listens to and hears us. And if (since) we positively know that He listens to us in whatever we **ask**, we also know [with settled and absolute knowledge] that we have [granted us **as our present possessions**] the requests made of Him (Amplified).”

Romans 4:17 “God . . . gives life to the dead and speaks of the **nonexistent things** that [He has foretold and promised] **as if they [already] existed** (Amplified).”

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