

There was a time when I went to the Rest Home every week to teach a Bible Lesson. I enjoyed it because of the sunshine I could bring into the building.

The Rest Home was large enough that I had a men's class of various sort. They would assemble in a room, some with the help of a nurse. We would get acquainted with the new ones and reacquainted with the others. It was a happy time for me and them. And as always in Church there were some who came in late.

Old men are tired and must use their wisdom to do things their muscle can not do anymore. Old men for wisdom and young men for war is the way of life. Old men choose what they will and will not do. And rightly so because either they have paid their dues or they do not have the strength to do it. They are smart enough to know the difference.

My lesson one day was on Jehoshaphat and a battle he fought in the following verses.

2 Chronicles 20:17 **Ye shall not need to fight in this battle:** set yourselves, **stand ye still**, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to morrow go out against them: for the LORD will be with you.

21 And when he had consulted with the people, **he appointed singers** unto the LORD, and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy endureth for ever.

22 And **when they began** to sing and to praise, **the LORD set ambushments** against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten.

24 And when Judah came toward the watch tower in the wilderness, they looked unto the multitude, and, behold, **they were dead bodies** fallen to the earth, and none escaped.

25 And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies, and precious jewels, which they stripped off for themselves, more than they could carry away: and **they were three days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much.**

27 Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and **Jehoshaphat** in the forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with joy; **for the LORD had made them to rejoice over their enemies.**

Jehoshaphat believed God. And when he had consulted with the people, **he appointed singers** unto the LORD that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before the army, and said, Praise the LORD; for his mercy endureth for ever.

When the people **began** to sing and praise, God did His work. He destroyed the enemy of His people **without them knowing it.** When they came to the watch tower in the wilderness singing the praises of God they saw they had no battle to fight. The battle was already won. Not a man was left to fight. All they had to do was pick up the riches the defeated army could no longer use. This gave them another reason to sing the praises of God.

At the end of my lesson an old man came in late and asked his buddy this question: What was the lesson about today. **The Wisdom of the Old Man**, having listened well and tired of fighting battles, happily called out to his buddy loud and clear - - - - - **Hire a Choir.**

How many problems could we solve for ourselves and others just by starting to sing praises unto God?

This lesson is paper sunshine. Think of how many you can pass it on to. Start singing and go to work.