



A SURPRISING FOCUS

By: Martin Drummond

OK, so you're an ancient, godly king and you learn that an army of angry God-haters is coming to kill you and all your citizens.

We're talking an army of thousands.

So what do you do?

You hurriedly round up your army generals and you tell them to get the troops ready for battle, right?

And you work up an inspiring speech to motivate the troops, right? The kind of speech that script writers would weave into an epic Hollywood war movie?

Not if you're King David.

It's intriguing to see how he responded to national threats like the one above.

It's also instructive for us since we will face smaller-scale threats through the years of our lives.

In 2 Samuel 5:17-21, the Philistine army prepared to attack David and his army.

David did something that you and I might not have done.

He asked God if he should go out to attack the Philistines.

What?

These pagans have come to wipe the Israelites off the map and yet David is asking if he should attack them? What's up with that?

This is not a case of David being a wimp, but instead his being submissive, patient warrior wanting to act according to God's timing.

"David inquired of the LORD, "Shall I go and attack the Philistines? Will you deliver them into my hands?"

David knew that conflict was coming with the Philistines one way or another. And he was confident that God's plan for establishing and enlarging the place of Israel would not be snuffed out by a pagan army.

The issues for David were timing and trust.

Should he wait to be attacked and then fight? Or should he pro-actively confront and conquer those who detest God and godly people?

"The LORD answered him, "Go, for I will surely deliver the Philistines into your hands."

"So David went to Baal Perazim, and there he defeated them. He said, "As waters break out, the LORD has broken out against my enemies before me." So that place was called Baal Perazim. The Philistines abandoned their idols there, and David and his men carried them off."

In this case and another that follows in 2 Samuel 5, God told David to confront the enemy before the people of God were attacked.

The military aspects of this chapter are interesting, yes. But I'm moved and instructed by David's demonstration of a faith principle best described in Proverbs 3:5-6.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your paths."

Human logic told David to make the first strike. But David didn't want to trust only logic. He wanted to trust the will of God revealed through prayer.

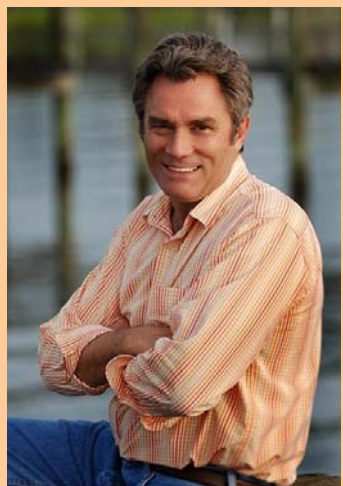
Because He did, God provided the victory.

Whatever conflict situation we face, whether at work or home or school or church, let's not rely solely on human logic. Instead, let's discipline ourselves to seek God's leading before we start kicking tail and taking names.

Who knows that God won't resolve the problem for us before the battle begins?

Praying first for divine wisdom almost always leads to God receiving more glory when the victory comes.

And that is a very good thing.



Singer and songwriter **Curt Oxford**, a former ministry partner with pastor Martin Drummond, will present a **Christian concert on Sunday evening June 12**. There will be a potluck dinner preceding the concert so make sure to invite your family and friends.

Curt has ministered in many churches, on local TBN and Chicago's "Among Friends" and his testimony has been featured twice on The 700 Club. Curt's refreshing song styles range from Christian folk and country to rock'n'roll and are written from personal experience.

Curt's music ministry is refreshing and encouraging so please make plans now to join us Sunday night for the meal and concert.

In addition to his music ministry, Curt is an award-winning commercial and graphic artist whose signage clients include the Disney Resort at Vero Beach.



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
IS COMING SOON!!!!**

July 25-29

**If you would like to help with
this year's program please
see Sherry Medder. There are
plenty of jobs to go around.
We need your help to make
VBS successful!**

Wednesday, June 8th
at 11am

In the Fellowship Hall

Please bring a dish to share and
invite a friend!



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Friday, June 10th at 7pm
in the Fellowship Hall

We'll have games, crafts, and
snacks. Invite your friends!

Please join us this Sunday at 9:10 a.m. in the
Sonrise Café, located in the auditorium
foyer. This is a good opportunity to fellowship
with other believers, introduce visitors, or in
general, get to know each other.
Come a little early and mingle while enjoying
coffee or juice and something to eat.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP

5:30PM TO 8:30PM

Our Youth Group is growing quickly!!

First we play games, then we eat, and then we sit down
and listen to a great lesson & discuss the word.

If you know any teenagers tell them where we're at!!

Any adults that want to come and join in on the fun are more than welcome!!!

For more info please call Karen Rodriguez 305.213.8923





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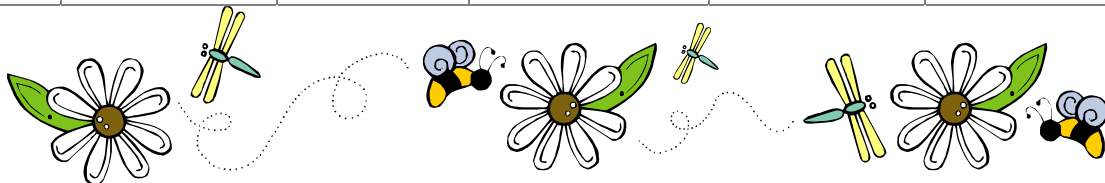
June Order Deadline: June 19th

June Distribution Day: June 25th

****Note: There are certain boxes that are available for online ordering only.
Please check website for those items.*

June

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8  11am	9	10  7pm	11
12 Carry-In Dinner & Concert 5pm	13	14	15	16	17	18  3pm
19  FATHERS DAY Angel Food order Deadline	20	21	22	23	24	25 Angel Food Distribution
26 Board Meeting 5pm	27	28	29	30		



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

1st Esperanza Delgado
1st Sonny & Alice Dacosta
2nd Marino Polanco
5th Andrea Suarez
10th Teresita Girón
10th Alfonso Henriquez
11th Reinaldo & Mimi Alvarez
12th Ricky & Johanna Velásquez
12th Patricia Henriquez
13th Alex Gutierrez
14th Teresa Kinnaird
15th Jordan Hernandez
17th Carl & Debbie Paschal

19th Jackie Carrell
19th Julie Hargraves
19th Sallina Moolah
21st Victoria Abdo
21st Chris Kinnaird
23rd Mimi Alvarez
23rd David Hiers
24th Danny & Alma Abdo
26th David Velasquez
29th Jeanine Johnson
30th Steve Chin
30th Martha Gonzalez



Serving Schedule

MAY 29

COMMUNION MEDITATION

Steve Chin

JUNE 5

Chris Kinnaird

COMMUNION SERVERS

Chris Kinnaird*
Pete Moolah
Danny Abdo
Eppy Suarez

David Medder*
Eli Medder
Marc Hargraves
Mark Schoenfeldt

DONATION COUNTERS

David Medder
Bobby Veloz

Chris Kinnaird
Marino Polanco

**Will lead offering prayer*



Pauta de Servicio

29 DE MAYO

ORACION OFRENDA

William Terán

5 DE JUNIO

Santiago León

ORACION SANTA CENA

Marino Polanco

Marino Polanco

LECTURA DE LA PALABRA

Reinaldo Alvarez

Zaida Velásquez

SIRVIENDO A LA MESA

Marino Polanco
Santiago León
Sixto Rosa
Carlos Martin

Reinaldo Alvarez
Nelson Garrido
Sixto Rosa
Alex Gutierrez



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