

Perhaps in reading through the Bible, you skim across 1 Chronicles 1-9 because these chapters contain long lists of genealogies. Yet here and there, the writer paused to say something special about some of the people. In chapter 5, the Reubenites, Gadites, and also the half-tribe of Manasseh went to war against the Hagrites. They prevailed, not because of their size or armaments, but because of two critical (spiritual) weapons - prayer and faith. They cried out to God during the battle, and He answered, because they trusted in Him.

That exact formula will give you victory when you need it. Are you facing an army of Hagrites? Is a loved one in crisis? Is the medical challenge great? Is cash tight? Are your spirits low? Cry out to God, and rely on Him. Trust Him. God is pleased when we bring Him our burdens, and He can lift the heaviest load.

Cry to Him during the battle. He *will* answer, because He will help you trust in Him.

1 Chronicles 5:19-20 "They waged war against the Hagrites....They were helped in fighting them, and God delivered the Hagrites and all their allies into their hands, because they cried out to Him during the battle. He answered their prayers, because they trusted in Him."