

## Seek Him, Find Him

Have you ever longed for something so deeply, searched for it with all your might, and finally, with relief and joy, found it? That satisfaction, that sense of discovery, is a taste of what it means to seek and find God. But what does it truly mean to seek Him? Do we need to embark on a mystical journey, climb a sacred mountain, or unlock hidden knowledge? No. The secret lies in the story of King Asa, found in 2 Chronicles 15. Asa, fresh from a stunning military victory, is confronted by the prophet Azariah. Victory could have bred complacency, but Azariah delivers a powerful reminder: God's presence and blessing are conditional. "If you seek him, he will be found by you, but if you forsake Him, He will forsake you" (2 Chr 15:2). This isn't a mystical riddle, but a call to action, a blueprint for a heart that seeks God.

How to seek God:

- Immerse Yourself in God's Word. | 15:3-4; 1 Chr 28:8-9; 15:13
  - We can't seek God apart from seeking Him through His Word. | Psa 119:105; Rom 10:17; 2 Tim 3:16-17
- Work with a Whole Heart. | 15: 5-7, 12-15; Deu 6:4-5
  - God has done the hard work for us, so we can work hard for Him. | 2 Cor 3:4-6a; 2 Ths 1:11-12; Heb 13:20-21
- Tear Down Our Idols. | 15:8a, 16-17; Exd 20:1-6
  - Anything that keeps us from seeing the God we seek is an idol. | Col 3:5; Php 3:19
- Worship God. | 15:8b-11; 14:8-12
  - Finding God prompts worship both communally and individually. | Heb 10:24-25; 13:15-16
- Rely on God for Life. | 16:1-14; Exd 15:26; 2 Chr 7:11-22
  - "If you forsake Him, He will forsake you." | 15:2b
  - The seeker of God relies wholly on God, not money or human ability. | Mat 6:25-34

Asa's story is a powerful reminder that seeking God is an active pursuit, a lifelong journey of drawing closer to Him. It's a commitment to prioritize Him above all else. Today, let's echo the commitment of Asa's people: "They entered into a covenant to seek the Lord... with all their heart and with all their soul" (2 Chr 15:12). Will you join them? Will you seek Him with all that you are? He promises, "If you seek me, you will find me." And He warns, "If you forsake Him, He will forsake you." Don't miss the joy and salvation of discovering the God who longs to be found.