

What does it mean to get ahold of God? There have been times in my ministry where my Pastor's direction was "*You need to get ahold of God*"

There will be times in ministry when **you** will need to do this, I want to think about the practicality of this idea.

**2 Kings 20:1-2** In those days : became sick and was at the point of death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came to him and said to him, "Thus says the LORD, Set your house in order, for you shall die; you shall not recover." Then Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the LORD...

### I BEYOND YOURSELF:

A- There will be times in ministry when you will need something beyond yourself...

1. Beyond your own labors/efforts/planning
2. In our Passage it's sickness; He is at the point of death, his health is compromised, he is terminal-
  - a. He needs something beyond himself in this!
3. For us it May be fruitfulness: Roc & converts being lost every 6 months... *you need to get ahold of God*
4. May be dominion: Roc & people not getting filled with the HG... *you need to get ahold of God*
5. May be financial: SF short on rent, called PG... *You need to get ahold of God.*
6. May be a ruling spirit: SF and immorality... *The size of your church and the amount of immorality you are dealing with is unnatural, you need to pray through your church.*
7. These were times where I needed to know how to get ahold of God... You will need to know this-

### II FOCUSED FAITH:

A- We see a verse of Hezekiah's prayer... But what do you think he was really praying about?

1. Healing! He needed a miracle, his focus was on his health/living!
  - a. When you need something, that becomes the focus of your prayer- HERE is where I need God.
2. So, this is a Focused fight: It is aimed at a specific thing
  - a. So first you need to Identify what you need. *Exodus; we need escape, water, food...*
  - b. Second what is the source of your focus; it needs to be GOD... **V2** Then Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to the **LORD**...
  - c. Third you need to stand on truth; What does God say about it! What is his truth/promises/opinion...
3. Its a focused contending... Its warfare... its turning the tide- (*Moses... Daniel*)

### III REMEMBRANCE:

A- When you are in a time like this, there needs to be some memorial victories.

1. Hezekiah remembered: **2 Kings 20:3** "**Remember** now, O Lord, I pray, how I have walked before You in truth and with a loyal heart, and have done *what was* good in Your sight." And Hezekiah wept bitterly.
  - a. I have a memory/I will remember/I will make mention of your involvement in my life!
  - b. **1Sam17:36** Your servant has killed both the lion and the bear; this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, because he has defied the armies of the living God...
2. In each fight, I can remember!
  - a. God you helped before in this area, and you can help again.
  - b. God you helped me in the past, and miracles are transferable, you will help me here!
  - c. God you helped someone else, I know you can help me!
3. Remember... Get breakthroughs now in discipleship, get miracles today... so you can apply them tomorrow.