Promises Not Panic, Day 3, 3/18/2020

Welcome to Promise Not Panic, Day 3, March 18th, 2020. We're gathering every weekday morning at 7am cst to get into the word, **unpack God's promises**, **vanquish panic**, **pray** and have **communion** until we have a **major breakthrough over C-19**.

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Miraculous Dunkirk story... Hitler moving effortlessly through France, George VI calls nation to prayer, 10's thousands in churches, street corners, crying out

Something happened that historians, almost 80 years later, can't explain. With German tanks rumbling just 10 miles from Dunkirk, Hitler did the unthinkable. On May 24, the day King George VI called the nation to <u>pray</u>, Hitler inexplicably halted the offensive. For nearly three days, as England knelt as one, those tanks remained grounded. Nothing moved. It was the exact window of time the British needed to form a defensive perimeter, to temporarily fight back the Germans and establish a funnel for their troops to flow through to the English Channel... 300k English soldiers saved, Churchill/miracle!

Let's get into the Word of God...

a) 1Th 5:16-18 Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Fact- prayer and worship aren't commanded just because God is worthy and demands it, not like an angry father... God commands it because prayer and worship causes God to release miraculous power in the midst of impossible circumstances! Sound good to you?

- **1. Children of Israel enslaved by Egyptians**... groaned, crying out to God, Ex 2:23
 - a) God speaks to Moses in distant Midian to go back and deliver children.
 - b) He goes back, tells the Elders and people what God has promised...
- c) Exo 4:31 So the people believed; and when they heard that the LORD had visited the children of Israel and that He had looked on their affliction, then **they bowed their heads and worshiped**... before a single change in their circumstance, they believed, worshipped and prayed. PROMISE OVER PANIC!!!
 - d) God dramatically delivered them!
- 2. Children of Israel fighting Moabites and Ammonites... 2 Chron 20, impossible

situation!

- a) Jehosaphat prays, recites promise of 2 Chron 7:13-14, drought, devour, disease. Humble ourselves, pray etc.
 - b) Prophet speaks, send worshipers out first in battle, battle is the LORDS!
 - c) victory comes over enemies of God. PROMISE OVER PANIC!!!

3. Paul and Silas in Philippian prison, inner prison, feet in stocks... Acts 16...

a) Act 16:25-26 But at midnight Paul and Silas were **praying and singing hymns** to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately **all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed**.

Love this- no record of a promise given, they just knew what was right based on God's nature and historical events.

b) prayed and worshiped, earthquake, foundation shaken, all doors open, everyone's chains loosed.

Listen- prayer and worship releases the miraculous power of God in impossible situations, no wonder it's the will of God for our lives!

Communion-

Prayer-