

# The Eyes of the Lord

2 Chronicles 16:9

Thesis: God is looking and willing to help those who are willing to do His will, but man must learn to rely on God first.

Introduction:

1. God is unchangeable throughout the ages (Malachi 3:6), (Hebrews 6:17-20).
2. As we read scripture we should look for the never changing character of God.

(Exegesis of text)

- I. Asa king of Judah relied on the king of Syria (Aram), and not on God (2 Chronicles 16:7)
- II. Result: Asa lost the battle (16:7)
- III. We should rely on God, and not man - God is actively searching to help those who seek God (16:9)

(Application of the text - What Kind of God is Our God? - A great promise for all time and all people is in 2 Chronicles 16:9)

- I. Our God is Strong (vs.9)
  - A. The Creator of heaven and earth is aggressively seeking to “show Himself strong;” (KJV, CSB) “to strongly support;” (NASB) “to strengthen;” (NLT)
  - B. Psalm 147:5
- II. Our God is aggressive (pursues us with goodness and mercy)
  - A. Adam and Eve (Genesis 3:9,15)
  - B. Jehovah sought out the scattered sheep of Israel (Ezekiel 34:11)
  - C. Parables of the lost sheep, coin and prodigal i
- III. Our God is not limited (vs. 9). Through the whole earth!

Conclusion:

1. Isaiah 64:4-5 God is willing to help those who are patient and wait on Him
2. God’s power is seen in how He loves us. Scheme of redemption.

Why did Syria escape Judah?

What specific things do you learn about God from 2 Chronicles 16:8-9?

Why do these verses (8-9) apply to all of us today? Or, Why do they not apply to us today?