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Humble yourself, pray, seek God's face

Chapter 7 of the Second Chronicles

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This chapter begins with a description of the scene in which God reveals his glory. When King Solomon and all Israel offered sacrifices, the glory of God filled the temple. The fire came down and consumed the burnt offerings and other offerings, and the glory of God filled the temple and made all those present fall down and worship. When we are willing to draw near to God and call on Him, God will indeed allow us to experience His acceptance. It was as if fire came down from heaven in the temple and was filled with the glory of God. As we serve God in the church, our status as priests and Levites has an important influence on the whole of worship. The glory of God filled the temple, so that the priests could not enter the temple, which means that in the holy light, even the priests showed their own defilement, and could not stand before God. God's presence is wonderful, but it also reminds us of our own unholiness. God's willingness to reveal to us is all due to His love. Therefore they all thanked God, saying, "The Lord is good, and his mercy endures forever." At that time, the deepest feeling of God's love was only truly realized

when we truly discovered our own filth in the presence of a holy God, but God did not count our evil.

7:10 And when they saw the goodness of the Lord which he had done to David, and to Solomon, and to his people Israel, their hearts rejoiced, and they went every man to his house. and joy in their hearts. True religion brings joy. They sing hymns of praise to God, remember His lovingkindness, and experience joy that the world does not have. When a person truly loves God and worships Him in spirit and truth, he has full peace and joy that will not solve anything. The best way to resolve nitpicking, disputes, and disputes between brothers is to draw close to God and rejoice in His lovingkindness.

Verse 7:14 mentions that one must humble oneself, pray, seek His face, and turn away from evil deeds in order for sins to be forgiven, and this verse is important because it is the key to interpreting 2 Chronicles. When we pray to God, are we tempting Him, are we trying our luck, or are we asking Him for sure? God is not just listening to our prayers, but He is also opening his eyes to see if we are acting in harmony with our prayers. What do we need to do in prayer? Look at today's text again

To "seek God's face" means to seek to understand God's mind. Often, without first seeking God's will, we pray out of our own and set God aside, whatever God's will may be, James 4:3 says, "You ask and receive not, because you ask in vain." Vain seeking means "bad intentions" and "bad motives." For our prayers to be heard by God, we must examine our own motives for praying, for God cannot listen to the bitter and disgruntled prayers of our hearts.

Prayer should be heard by God, and one of the more important things to do is to "turn away from evil ways." When we pray to God, not only is God "opening his eyes" but also those around us to see if our prayers are true or false, and whether our prayers are useful. Psalm 66:18 says, "If I have set my heart on iniquity, the Lord will not hear."

When we pray, we should have a humble attitude before God, we should have a positive attitude in the things we ask, we should pray to God in the things that are in God's heart, and at the same time, we should change our behavior and become the right person before God, and then we should pray to God.

(7:16) God says, "Now I have chosen this temple to be sanctified, that my name may be in it forever." and my eyes and my heart will always be there. "It seems as if with God's indentation He has been chained to the temple and has to listen to us; But in reality, with God's stay, we are bound by God. We are the sheep of His pasture, and we cannot do without this living Lord. Many times, we think of God's presence as God being controlled by us, working for us, listening to our prayers, meeting our needs, and being preachy..... but we need to know that God's presence is to connect us to Him, to obey His Word, to shape our lives according to His heart, and to make our lives no longer drifting and depraved and indulgent.

The leadership of the king and the participation of the priests were important in the service of the whole temple, but in the days of Ezra, the ministry of the Levites was particularly emphasized, because many of the Levites had become deserters and did not want to return to Jerusalem.

Today's revival also requires us to rise up and serve with the Word of God, by the Holy Spirit, and by the Blood of Christ. Today, God also calls us to rise up as Levites and to be equipped to bring about revival in the workplace, even in the workplace.

Let's pray together

Dear Heavenly Father, we come to You with humility and reverence, seeking Your presence and guidance. You are our refuge and strength, and in our weakness, You manifest Your power.

Lord, we admit that we often fall into the trap of low self-esteem, feeling that we are not good enough to deserve Your love. Help us to understand that each of us is precious in Your eyes and that You accept us with infinite love. Let us remember that You have given us a new identity in Christ, and that we are Your children, loved and cherished by You.

Lord, help us to continue to pray and seek Your face in the face of difficulties and challenges. You have promised that when we seek You, You will be found by us. Give us patience and strength to find rest and peace in our hearts.

Heavenly Father, when our hearts are filled with irritability and turmoil, please cover us with Your peace. Give us wisdom and insight to help us discern Your will and find strength and comfort in Your Word.

We believe that Your love and grace are sufficient to bear all our burdens. Help us to rely on You more deeply each day, to draw near to You in prayer, to draw strength and hope from You.

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, amen.

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- 7:1 When Solomon's prayer had been finished, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and other sacrifices. The glory of Yahweh filled the temple.
- 7:2 Because the glory of Yahweh filled the temple of Yahweh, the priests were not allowed to enter into the temple.
- 7:3 And when the fire came down, and the glory of Yahweh was upon the temple, all the Israelites saw it, and they fell down on the paving ground and bowed down, and said to him, "Yahweh Hohwa is good, and his mercy endureth for ever."
- 7:4 And the king and all the people sacrificed before Yahohua.
- 7:5 King Solomon sacrificed twenty-two thousand oxen and twelve thousand sheep. So the king and all the people offered an offering for the house of God.
- 7:6 The priests were appointed to serve each for his office. The Levites also took the instruments of Yahwah, which were made by the king of the Great David to praise Jehovah. (His

mercy endures forever.) And the priests sounded their trumpets in front of the people, and the Israelites stood.

- 7:7 And Solomon, because the bronze altar which he had made could not contain burnt offerings, grain offerings, and grease, sanctified the court in front of the temple of Yahodah, and offered the burnt offerings and the fat of the peace offerings there.
- 7:8 Then Solomon and all the Israelites went from the mouth of Hamar to the river in Egypt, and all the Israelites gathered together in a great assembly for the feast of seven days.
- 7:9 On the eighth day, a solemn assembly was set up, and the altar was offered for seven days, and the feast was observed for seven days.
- 7:10 On the twenty-third day of the seventh month, the king dismissed the people. When they saw the favor of Jehovah to David and to Solomon, and to his people Eliel, they rejoiced in their hearts, and went to their families.
- 7:11 Solomon built the temple and the royal palace of Yahohua. And whatever was in the heart of Yahwa, and in the palace of the king, he did it in a smooth way.
- 7:12 And in the night Jehohua appeared unto Solomon, and said unto him, I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place as a house of sacrifice to me.
- 7:13 If I shut up the heavens and keep it from raining, or if I cause locusts to eat the fruits of the land, or if I cause pestilences to flow among my people,
- 7:14 If these people, who are called by my name, humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their evil ways, I will hear from heaven, and forgive their sins, and heal their land.
- 7:15 I will open my eyes and incline my ears to the prayer that is offered in this place.
- 7:16 Now I have chosen this house to be sanctified, that my name may be in it forever, and my eyes and my heart will always be there.
- 7:17 If thou wilt follow before me the way of thy father the Guardian, and do all that I command thee, and keep my statutes and ordinances,
- 7:18 and I will establish thy kingdom, as I made with thy father David, saying, Thy children shall not cease to reign over Israel.
- 7:19 If you turn away and forsake the statutes and commandments which I have laid unto you, and go to the service and worship of other gods,
- 7:20 and I will pluck out the Israelites from the land which I have given them, and I will forsake the house which I have set apart for my name, and he may be laughed at among all the peoples. ridiculed.
- 7:21 Though this temple be very high, they who pass by shall be astonished, and say, Why did Yahweh do this to this land and this temple?

7:22 They will answer that it is because the people of this land have forsaken the God of their fathers, that they have brought them out of the land of Egypt, and have brought them out of the land of Egypt, and have worshiped and served other gods, wherefore Jehovah has brought upon them all this calamity.

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The chapter then details the large number of sacrifices made by King Solomon and the Israelites. King Solomon and the Israelites offered 10,000 oxen and 100,000 sheep as sacrifices of thanksgiving and praise. The sacrifice and celebration lasted for seven days, with people cheering, singing, and dancing to show their gratitude and reverence for God.

During this time, God also addressed King Solomon again, assuring him of His blessings and love for King Solomon and the Israelites. God also reminded King Solomon to be steadfast in his commandments and laws, as well as to maintain a devout attitude and attitude toward God.

In conclusion, this chapter records God's manifestation of God's glory after King Solomon's dedication to the temple, and describes the large number of sacrifices made by King Solomon and the Israelites for this purpose. The celebration showcased Israelites' gratitude and reverence for God, as well as their faith and devotion to God. At the same time, God's speech reminded King Solomon and the Israelites to always obey God's laws and commandments in order to maintain an attitude of piety and devotion.

Chapter 7 is a chapter about the glory of God filling the temple as King Solomon dedicated his worship and sacrifices, and here are some of the important passages:

- 1. "Fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and other sacrifices. The glory of the LORD fills the temple. (2 Chronicles 7:1)- This verse describes the glory of God filling the temple and fire coming down from heaven to consume the burnt offerings and other sacrifices.
- 2. "When all Israel saw the fire and the glory of the LORD coming down on the temple, they fell down and worshipped and praised the LORD, saying, 'He is good, and he is merciful to Israel for ever.'" (2 Chronicles 7:3)- This verse describes the Israelites who saw the glory of God filling the temple, and they felt awe and worship God and praised His lovingkindness.

- 3. "God answered Solomon's prayer, showed His lovingkindness, and gave His glory to this temple." (2 Chronicles 7:12)- This verse describes that God answered King Solomon's prayer and gave His glory to the temple.
- 4. "I will hear the prayer and the supplication that this house cryes out." (2 Chronicles 7:15) This verse describes that God answered King Solomon's prayer and promised to hear prayers and supplications in the temple.
- 5. "When this house is erected, if thou wilt do all the laws and statutes that I have commanded thee, and do my judgments, I will establish the throne of David thy father for ever, as I have promised unto him." (2 Chronicles 7:17-18)- This verse describes God's promise that if King Solomon and the Israelites obeyed God's commands and laws, He would keep their kingdom throne and establish an eternal covenant with them.

2 Chronicles 7 continues the genealogies of Israel's history, especially the descendants of the tribe of Benjamin. This chapter also records the offerings and sacrifices performed by King Solomon after the temple was built.

Although this chapter is primarily about family and sacrifices, it still contains some theological ideas and gains.

The following are the central theological ideas and theological findings that can be found in Chapter 7 of the Second Chronicles:

Temple Consecration and the Glory of God: In chapter 7, King Solomon's dedication and sacrifices after the temple was completed are recorded. This demonstrates the worship of God and the importance that people attach to the temple, as well as the desire for God's glory.

God's Praise and Response: In temple offerings and sacrifices, people offer gratitude and praise to God. God also responded to the sacrifices of the people, appearing from heaven in flames and filling the temple with glory. This shows God's response and hearing to godly worship.

Faithfulness and Promise: The genealogical record shows the fulfillment of God's promise to Abraham's descendants. The descendants of the tribe of Benjamin were preserved and blessed by God to continue God's promises.

God's Presence and Providence: God's presence in the temple shows his presence and care for His people. Not only was he with his people, but he also responded to their worship and sacrifices.

Overall, 2 Chronicles chapter 7 is primarily a record of family and sacrifice, and contains themes of temple devotion and God's glory, God's praise and response, and loyalty and promise. Through these accounts, we can gain a deeper understanding of God's praise and response to His people, as well as the importance of man's worship and dedication to God. God's presence and providence are theological truths that we should appreciate and cherish in worship.