



Celebrating what God has done

1 KINGS 8:54–66

God is faithful to His promises, and His faithfulness should lead us to reverence, obedience, worship, and joy.

1



SOLOMON'S POSTURE OF REVERENCE 1 Kings 8:54

"When Solomon had finished all these prayers and supplications to the Lord, he rose from before the altar of the Lord, where he had been kneeling with his hands spread out toward heaven."

Solomon ended his prayer kneeling before the Lord. Kneeling shows humility, surrender, and reverence. The posture itself is not what makes someone spiritual, but it can reflect the posture of the heart. Solomon was Israel's king, yet he humbled himself before the true King.

Application: When we truly recognize who God is, we should come before Him with humility and reverence.

2



GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES 1 Kings 8:55–56

"Praise be to the Lord, who has given rest to his people Israel just as he promised. Not one word has failed of all the good promises he gave through his servant Moses."

After praying, Solomon blessed the people and immediately pointed them back to God. Israel was in the land, established, at peace, and the Temple had been built. Solomon reminded them that God had done exactly what He said He would do.

Key Truth: Not one word of God's promises failed.

Application: Take time to remember the faithfulness of God. He always keeps His Word.

3



THE GOD WHO IS WITH HIS PEOPLE 1 Kings 8:57

"May the Lord our God be with us as he was with our ancestors; may he never leave us nor forsake us."

Solomon remembered how God had been with His people in Egypt, in the wilderness, and in the Promised Land. He prayed that God would continue to be with them. This was not asking God to become something new. It was asking Him to continue being the same faithful God He has always been.

Application: Our hope is found in God's presence. He is faithful and does not abandon His people.

4



A HEART TURNED TOWARD GOD 1 Kings 8:58

"May he turn our hearts to him, to walk in obedience to him and keep the commands, decrees and laws he gave our ancestors."

Solomon understood that obedience begins in the heart. When the heart turns away from God, sin follows. When the heart stays close to God, the life follows.



SUPPORTING VERSE – Psalm 86:11

"Teach me your way, Lord, that I may rely on your faithfulness; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name."

Application:

Ask God to keep your heart close to Him, because obedience starts on the inside.

5



WE NEED GOD EVERY DAY 1 Kings 8:59–60

"And may these words of mine... be near to the Lord our God day and night, that he may uphold the cause of his servant and the cause of his people Israel according to each day's need, so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the Lord is God and that there is no other."

Solomon asked God to care for His people according to each day's need. We don't just need God once in a while—we need Him every day. Because our hearts can wander, we must stay near to the Lord and His Word.



SUPPORTING VERSE – Psalm 1:2

"But whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night."



SUPPORTING VERSE – Joshua 1:8

"Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night..."

Application: Stay in God's Word daily, and let your life point others to Him.

6

WHOLEHEARTED COMMITMENT 1 Kings 8:61

"And may your hearts be fully committed to the Lord our God, to live by his decrees and obey his commands, as at this time."

Solomon called the people to be fully committed to the Lord. It is possible to go through religious motions while allowing the heart to drift. God does not want part of our hearts—He wants all of it.

Application: Do not serve God half-heartedly. Stay committed even after the spiritual high moment has passed.



7

WORSHIP, THANKSGIVING & DEDICATION 1 Kings 8:62–63

"Then the king and all Israel with him offered sacrifices before the Lord."

Solomon offered a great number of sacrifices as the Temple was dedicated. These offerings were an expression of worship, thanksgiving, fellowship, and dedication.

The people were saying: "Lord, this belongs to You. Thank You for what You have done."

Application: God's faithfulness should lead us to worship and gratitude, not just more requests.



8

A GREAT CELEBRATION OF GOD'S GOODNESS 1 Kings 8:64–66

The celebration was so large that the bronze altar was too small, and additional space had to be consecrated. All Israel celebrated before the Lord for fourteen days.

On the following day the people left joyful and glad in heart for all the good things the Lord had done for His servant David and His people Israel.

The people went home saying, "Look at what God has done." God had been faithful—to David, to Solomon, and to His people. The Temple dedication was ultimately not about Solomon's accomplishments, but about God's faithfulness!

*Look at
what
God has
done!*

THERE IS A TIME TO PRAY... AND A TIME TO CELEBRATE.

Before moving to your next prayer request, stop and remember:



Where has
God answered
prayer?



Where has
God provided?



Where has
God carried
you through?



Where has
God shown
Himself
faithful?



REVIEW & REFLECTION

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CHALLENGE QUESTION

Solomon and the people paused to celebrate God's faithfulness. What are some specific ways God has been faithful in your life, and how should that change the way you worship, obey, and trust Him today?

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Respond with **reverence, obedience, worship, and joy!**

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