If My People

^{2 Chr. 6:24} "When your people Israel have been defeated by an enemy because they have sinned against you and when they turn back and confess your name, praving and making supplication before you in this temple.²⁵then hear from heaven and forgive the sin of your people Israel and bring them back to the land you gave to them and their fathers. ²⁶When the heavens are shut up and there is no rain because your people have sinned against you, and when they pray toward this place and confess your name and turn from their sin because you have afflicted them, ²⁷then hear from heaven and forgive the sin of your servants, your people Israel. Teach them the right way to live, and send rain on the land you gave your people for an inheritance. ²⁸When famine or plague comes to the land, or blight or mildew, locusts or grasshoppers, or when enemies besiege them in any of their cities, whatever disaster or disease may come, ²⁹ and when a prayer or plea is made by any of your people Israel—each one aware of his afflictions and pains, and spreading out his hands toward this temple - ³⁰then hear from heaven, your dwelling place. Forgive, and deal with each man according to all he does, since you know his heart (for you alone know the hearts of men), ³¹so that they will fear you and walk in your ways all the time they live in the land you gave our fathers."

^{2 Chr. 7:1}When Solomon finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the Lord filled the temple. ²The priests could not enter the temple of the Lord because the glory of the Lord filled it. ³When all the Israelites saw the fire coming down and the glory of the Lord above the temple, they knelt on the pavement with their faces to the ground, and they worshiped and gave thanks to the Lord, saying, "He is good; his love endures forever." ⁴Then the king and all the people offered sacrifices before the Lord. ⁵And King Solomon offered a sacrifice of twenty-two thousand head of cattle and a hundred and twenty thousand sheep and goats.

^{2 Chr. 7:12} "…I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a temple for sacrifices. ¹³When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain or command locusts to devour the land and send a plague among my people, ¹⁴if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

As a <u>follower</u> of Jesus, God's plan for America starts with <u>me</u>.

^{2 Chr. 7:14}"...if my people, who are called by my name..."

Humble myself.

² Chr. 7:14"...if my people, who are called by my name will humble themselves..."

Acknowledge I don't have all the answers.

<u>Worship</u>

<u>Pray</u>

^{2 Chr. 7:14}"...if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My face..."

No human system can change the heart.

Key Question: Is prayer a priority in my life?

Repent and change direction.

² *Chr.* 7:14...if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways...

Key Question: What do I need to change?

Key Question: Am I willing to follow God's plan?

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