

Text: 2 Chronicles 6:26-27; 7:12b-14

Solomon’s Model Prayer

- God’s people are _____.
- Solomon models specific, hopeful, and _____ prayer.

Four Facets or a Restorative Attitude

- _____.
- _____.
- _____.
- _____.

God’s Energizing Promises

- ***“I will hear from heaven.”***
 - “Heaven is God’s space, where full reality exists, _____ our ordinary (‘earthly’) reality and interlocking with it” – NT Wright.
- ***“I will forgive their sins.”***
- ***“I will heal their land.”***

Life Enrichment

What about today's sermon challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- What are some of the indicators that we are living in troubling times?
- When you face personal adversity and trials, how do you respond: (a) Run to God; (b) Wonder if you've done something wrong; (c) Chalk it up to living in a fallen world; (d) Something else (If so, what else?); (e) All of the above?
- How can we know for certain if our actions have caused the troubles we are going through?
- Was it pure negativity for Solomon to assume God's people would wander? Why, or why not?
- Which do you struggle with most in prayer: being specific, hopeful, or God-aligned? How will Solomon's model help you strengthen your prayers?
- Why do you think God specifically chose humility, prayer, seeking, and turning as conditions for restoration?
- How do those four attitudes help tune us to Jesus?
- What part do God's promises in 2 Chronicles 7:14 play in motivating us to the four attitudes He requires?
- How might N. T. Wright's definition of heaven change our practice of prayer and anticipation of God's response?
- What is God healing when He heals the land? What does it tell us about God's redemptive actions? Why does it matter?