

Solomon's Dedicatory Prayer, 2 Chron. 6-7  
 H. Van Dyke Parunak  
 February 11, 1990, 7:55:14 a.m.

**SETTING:**

**IF: Disaster**

6:24 And if thy people Israel be put to the worse before the enemy,

6:26 When the heaven is shut up, and there is no rain,

6:28 If there be dearth in the land, if there be pestilence, if there be blasting, or mildew, locusts, or caterpillars; if their enemies besiege them in the cities of their land; whatsoever sore or whatsoever sickness there be:

**IF: Sin**

6:22 If a man sin against his neighbour,

because they have sinned against thee;

because they have sinned against thee;

**IF: Religious Request ...**

and an oath be laid upon him to make him swear, ...

and shall return and confess thy name, and pray and make supplication before thee ...

yet if they pray ... and confess thy name, and turn from their sin, when thou dost afflict them;

6:29 Then what prayer or what supplication soever shall be made of any man, or of all thy people Israel, when every one shall know his own sore and his own grief, and shall spread forth his hands ...

**IF: ... in the Temple**

... and the path come before thine altar in this house;

... in this house;

... toward this place ...

... in this house:

**THEN: Hear from Heaven**

6:23 Then hear thou from heaven,

6:25 Then hear thou from the heavens,

6:27 Then hear thou from heaven,

6:30 Then hear thou from heaven thy dwelling place,

**THEN: Spiritual Answer**

and do, and judge thy servants, by requiting the wicked, by recompensing his way upon his own head; and by justifying the righteous, by giving him according to his righteousness.

and forgive the sin of thy people Israel,

and forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, when thou hast taught them the good way, wherein they should walk;

and forgive,

**THEN: Physical Answer**

and bring them again unto the land which thou gavest to them and to their fathers.

and send rain upon thy land, which thou hast given unto thy people for an inheritance.

and render unto every man according unto all his ways, whose heart thou knowest; (for thou only knowest the hearts of the children of men:)

**MOTIVE:**

6:31 That they may fear thee, to walk in thy ways, so long as they live in the land which thou gavest unto our fathers.

**FINAL REQUEST:**

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**SETTING:**

6:32 Moreover concerning the stranger, which is not of thy people Israel, but is come from a far country for thy great name's sake, and thy mighty hand, and thy stretched out arm;

**IF: Disaster**

6:34 If thy people go out to war against their enemies by the way that thou shalt send them,

6:36b and thou be angry with them, and deliver them over before their enemies, and they carry them away captives unto a land far off or near;

7:13 If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people;

**IF: Sin**

6:36a If they sin against thee, (for there is no man which sinneth not,)

**IF: Religious Request ...**  
if they come and pray ...

and they pray unto thee ...

6:37 Yet if they bethink themselves in the land whither they are carried captive, and turn and pray unto thee in the land of their captivity, saying, We have sinned, we have done amiss, and have dealt wickedly; 6:38 If they return to thee with all their heart and with all their soul in the land of their captivity, whither they have carried them captives, and pray ...

7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways;

**IF: ... in the Temple**  
... in this house;

... toward this city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name;

... toward their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers, and toward the city which thou hast chosen, and toward the house which I have built for thy name:

**THEN: Hear from Heaven**  
6:33 Then hear thou from the heavens, even from thy dwelling place,

6:35 Then hear thou from the heavens their prayer and their supplication,

6:39a Then hear thou from the heavens, even from thy dwelling place, their prayer and their supplications,

then will I hear from heaven,

**THEN: Spiritual Answer**

6:39c and forgive thy people which have sinned against thee.

and will forgive their sin,

**THEN: Physical Answer**  
and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for;

and maintain their cause.

6:39b and maintain their cause,

and will heal their land.

**MOTIVE:**  
that all people of the earth may know thy name, and fear thee, as doth thy people Israel, and may know that this house which I have built is called by thy name.

**FINAL REQUEST:**

6:40 Now, my God, let, I beseech thee, thine eyes be open, and let thine ears be attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.

7:15 Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.