



Prayer Journal

DAY 40

"Then David said to the whole assembly, 'Praise the Lord your God.' So, they all praised the Lord, the God of their fathers; they bowed down, prostrating themselves before the Lord and the King."

1 Chronicles 29:20

When something seems out of place, we notice it, don't we? That's why this ending to King David's prayer grabbed my attention. He doesn't end his prayer with Amen! What's the deal, David? Didn't anyone teach you how to pray in Sunday school?

The way David chooses to end his prayer is actually quite beautiful. Instead of the prayer ending with an amen, it launches into a call to praise and worship. The communion with God isn't over when the prayer concludes, it's just beginning. I love the scene that scripture paints.

The leaders have listened to David pray, hanging onto his words of humility as he recognizes how blessed we are to be able to serve and give to the Lord. David calls the people to recognize grace, but that recognition turns into something – praise.

As we wrap our time of prayer over these last 40 days, let's not let the time with our God end here. We're just getting started, church; let the praise for our good and gracious God begin, and may it never end!

Read David's prayer (1 Chronicles 29:10-19), then take some quiet (or not so quiet) moments to give praise to the Lord.

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