

2 Chronicles 6:4

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And he said, Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, who hath with his hands fulfilled that which he spake with his mouth to my father David, saying,

Analysis

Solomon blesses God: 'And he said, Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, who hath with his hands fulfilled that which he spake with his mouth to David my father, saying...' This acknowledges God's faithfulness in fulfilling promises - what He spoke (covenant word) He accomplished (covenant fulfillment). The anthropomorphic 'hands fulfilled' and 'mouth spoke' emphasizes God's active involvement. Reformed theology calls this God's decree (what He speaks) and providence (how He fulfills it). David received promises about his son building God's house (17:11-14); Solomon witnessed fulfillment. This pattern of promise and fulfillment culminates in Christ, in whom all God's promises find their yes and amen (2 Corinthians 1:20).

Historical Context

Spoken at temple dedication (c. 960 BCE), this blessed the Lord for faithfulness across generations - God spoke to David decades earlier, and Solomon now witnesses fulfillment. This encouraged Israel to trust God's remaining promises, including the Messiah.

Related Passages

John 15:13 — Greatest form of love

1 John 4:8 — God is love

Study Questions

1. What promises of God have you seen fulfilled in your life that warrant fresh thanksgiving and worship?
2. How does God's faithfulness in fulfilling past promises encourage trust for future promises not yet realized?

Interlinear Text

אֵשֶׁר	יִשְׂרָאֵל ל	אֱלֹהֵי י	יְהוָה	בָּר וְךָ	לֵאמֹר:
	of Israel	God	be the LORD	Blessed	And he said
H834	H3478	H430	H3068	H1288	H559
אָבִי י	דָּוִד יֵד	אֵת	בִּפִּי יוֹ	דִּבֶּר ר	
to my father	David	H853	with his mouth	that which he spake	
H1	H1732		H6310	H1696	
			מִלֵּ א	וּבְיָד יוֹ	לֵאמֹר:
			fulfilled	who hath with his hands	And he said
			H4390	H3027	H559