

Good morning! Have you ever been overwhelmed with how good God has been to you? During the course of my life, God has blessed me beyond anything I can imagine. Sure, I've had hard times, physically, emotionally, and financially, but even in the midst of those times I've known the love and mercy of our Heavenly Father. He has been very, very good to me. This morning, let's look in on one man in the Old Testament who felt like God was blessing him far more than he deserved:

Then King David went in and sat before the Lord and prayed, "Who am I, O Sovereign Lord, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far? And now, Sovereign Lord, in addition to everything else, you speak of giving your servant a lasting dynasty! Do you deal with everyone this way, O Sovereign Lord? What more can I say to you? You know what your servant is really like, Sovereign Lord. Because of your promise and according to your will, you have done all these great things and have made them known to your servant."

2 Sam. 7:18-21

Have you ever felt this way? I certainly have. Sometimes when Pam and I pray together in the evening, we are overwhelmed with how good God has been to us in our lives. We seem to spend half of the time thanking God for His many kindnesses. It was the same for David in today's passage. Coming from complete obscurity as a young shepherd to renowned warrior to unifying King of Israel was beyond imagining. I have to laugh when he asks God, "Do you deal with *everyone* this way?" I've felt that way myself! If you have, too, this morning is a good time to tell God about it. Take time to review your journey with Him. Thank Him for the amazing ways He has blessed and cared for you. After all, who are you...that God has brought you this far?