

Chapters 6, 7

Solomon built the temple of the Lord with finest wood and many precious materials.

The temple took 7 years to build.

Solomon also built a palace for himself.

This took 13 years to build.

Dear God, may all temples and churches in the world
be places of prayer and peace

Chapters 8, 9

When the temple was finished,

Solomon shifted the Sacred Chest to the temple.

After the Chest was placed in the temple,
the glorious cloud of the Lord filled the temple.

Solomon then praised God and blessed the people.

Solomon prayed that

the temple would be a place of blessings.

Solomon also prayed that all the peoples of the world
would come to know the Lord from whom all life comes.

The Lord again appeared to Solomon and said:

"I will be near to all who enter the temple you have built."

Dear God, may all temples and churches in the world
be places where people praise and love you

Chapter 10

Solomon's wealth continued to grow.

He acquired a fleet of ships for trading.

He also had a huge force of chariots and horses.

The queen of Sheba heard about Solomon's wisdom
and came to visit him.

Solomon answered all her questions.

None of her questions was too difficult for him.

Dear Lord, please give wisdom to all world leaders