

“May the king’s rule be refreshing like spring rain on freshly cut grass, like the showers that water the earth. May all the godly flourish during his reign. May there be abundant prosperity until the moon is no more.”  
Psalms 72:6-7 NLT

## lectio // Psalm 72:1-7

We don't have a king in the United States, but we do have a president and two bodies of legislators that “run” the country. Basically we have a team leadership model. I put run in quotes because the Supreme Court somehow made its way into our modern politics as the end all/be all when it comes to judgments on the law - except they've been making laws with no accountability of the other three “rulers.” Either way the principle is the same. We want rulers/leaders to be good, right and just. The psalmist declares that the rulers reign can be like a spring rain after the grass has been groomed. And... may all the godly FLOURISH! Ah, there it is, equality and justice for those who do right and behave in characteristics of God. Who wants the wicked to flourish? Who wants the selfish, the predators, the liars and manipulators to get ahead? Peace among us starts with leadership that rules with wisdom and grace. This is why we pray for our “king” our president, congress and supreme court justices. That there would be abundant prosperity!

## oratio

Dad,

It is on us to pray for our leaders. It is on us to call them out by name and ask for you to fill them with wisdom and to guard their hearts because they have such influence over us. I may not even like who's in “power,” but I still have a responsibility to pray.

## contemplatio

rest in the presence of God, allowing the words revealed to take root