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This prayer is for God to do only what He can do.

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To recapture and restore the unshakeable determination of spirit that was once held, yet has over time, slowly slipped away.

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Do you rejoice in your salvation? If so, how?

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God is not only able to uphold David by His Spirit, He is also gladly willing to do so, despite David's sin.

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