

**God is doing it again....****AND WE WILL BE PART OF WHAT HE IS DOING...**

*1 Then King David said to the whole assembly: "My son Solomon, the one whom God has chosen, is young and inexperienced. The task is great, because this palatial structure is not for man but for the LORD God. <sup>2</sup> With all my resources I have provided for the temple of my God—gold for the gold work, silver for the silver, bronze for the bronze, iron for the iron and wood for the wood, as well as onyx for the settings, turquoise, <sup>3</sup> stones of various colors, and all kinds of fine stone and marble—all of these in large quantities. <sup>4</sup> Besides, in my devotion to the temple of my God I now give my personal treasures of gold and silver for the temple of my God, over and above everything I have provided for this holy temple. <sup>5</sup> Then the leaders of families, the officers of the tribes of Israel, the commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds, and the officials in charge of the king's work gave willingly. <sup>6</sup> The people rejoiced at the willing response of their leaders, for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the LORD. David the king also rejoiced greatly. <sup>7</sup> David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly, saying, "Praise be to you, LORD, the God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. <sup>8</sup> But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand." 1 Chronicles 29*

- When God asks us for something, what is our attitude?
- After Reading this passage, what is the example that King David sets for us?
- How can we honor God in this times following the example of King David?

**Illustration:** The owner of a perfume store was having a very bad year in his business. One day he was at the counter of his store and a woman came in, this type of woman will always buy the cheapest perfume. "I want a perfume" she said, the owner pulled out a cheap brand of perfume and she saw it and said "No, I don't want this one, I want a better brand" he pulls out a bottle of perfume that costs \$20.00 she smells it said again "No, I want something better" The man said, "I have perfumes with different prices, How much do you want to spend?" and she said "Give me something good" "Something good? I have one that is imported from Egypt but its pricy" "How much? She asked, "\$299.00" she put some on her hand and smelled it asking "are you sure this is the best you have?" The men went to the back room and he came out with a box, when he opened it an incredible smell filled up the room. The lady said "that's the one I want, I'm taking it" he stared at her and said "But this is a very expensive perfume it is imported from India it's a tuberose perfume the price is **"\$9,600.00 dollars,"**. Without saying a word she pulled a roll of money she had in her pocket and pay in cash, he thought "with whom, wealthy man, is this lady going to be to spend so much money in a perfume?" The next Saturday after that, there was a party at the house of one of the city's councilor. It was Simon, a very influential Pharisee that Jesus healed from leprosy; she knew about the party and decided to go without an invitation. Luke 7:37-38 *"<sup>37</sup> A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume. <sup>38</sup> As she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.* What motivated that women's act? She did it for three reasons, Jesus delivered her from seven demons, and he literally saved her life when the religious Pharisees tried to stone her to death. Jesus gave her eternal life, forgave her sins, he declared her clean and gave her the motivation to not sin anymore.

**Introduction: We have to recognize that when we are giving to God, we are actually giving from what we received from Him by mercy, because he is the owner of everything, that means that all we have or have acquired, Money, work, gifts and talents, feelings and emotions, everything comes from God and is God's, because everything is his, even our life and because of his mercy He lets us enjoy and use all these things. To be part of what God will do we have to learn to honor him this way:**

### 1. With all of our Strength 1 Chronicles 29:2

- a. David worship God not just with his songs but with everything he was including finances last verses say that David prepared with sacrifice and all of his strength everything Solomon would need to build the temple of God.
- b. We are praying in a stage as church that we might be able to give God our worship not just with our songs but with our effort and sacrifice. Remembering that God blesses not only the amount we give but the sacrifice.

**2. With great Affection 1 Chronicles 29:3**

- a. David loved God with all of his heart, he wanted to show that love to him building a temple with the best of the resources he and the people had. David was not angry or worried or bitter because he was giving from his personal treasure to build this temple, he was happy, and will give what he had with affection.
- b. When God asks us to give something how do we give it? When he asks for our time, strength, talents, resources, money, which attitude we have? Do you worry you will lack something? Do we get annoyed that is always about Money or he is trying to take your time? Or are you like David and with great affection you give from what you have for his kingdom to be established in this world?

**3. With joy and all of your heart 1 Chronicles 29:9**

- a. David was joyful and he transmitted that to the people of Israel and they also separated from the best they had and gave it not with fear but with joy and all of their hearts.
- b. God wants that when we give him something like our time, talents, Money our life, we give it with joy, not whining, or worried no fear or anger; he will bless us when he sees that we give from the heart in everything we do for him or his kingdom.

**4. Voluntarily 1 Chronicles 29:9**

- a. David and the people of Israel gave the best they had, willing fully to honor God because he rescued and blessed them in the promise land.
- b. We shouldn't give because others are giving, or because we want to please somebody or by peers pressure, when we give, (Money, strength or time) we should do it voluntarily because that's the attitude that pleases God and he releases blessings in our lives.

**5. Recognize that everything is God's 1 Chronicles 29:14**

- a. David knew that all the fame, wealth and blessings he had, came from God's hand and that knowledge gave him freedom to give to God From all he received from him.
- b. We have to understand that everything we have (health time, properties family, opportunities etc.) comes from God, and that way we can give God with freedom and joy, and know that when he asks us to give something is because he wants to bless us.

**Conclusion:** How wonderful would be to follow the example of the women who bought the best perfume to pour on Jesus' feet or like David that gave God from the best he had to build the Temple of God. What is God asking from you today? Are you willing to give from the best of you? Start by giving him your life and recognize Jesus as your only Lord and Savior saying this prayer.

**Announcements:**

🌐 **VICTORY SUNDAY:** April 6th; let's bring the first fruits of the promise we made to the Lord.

**Sinner's prayer**

*Lord Jesus I recognize that I've sin and that you died for me. Today I repent and I ask for forgiveness. I give you my life and my heart so you can be my Lord and my Savior. Amen*