

Insight, Instructions, Increase, and Inspiration



# Day Eleven Give Willingly

1 Chronicles 29:3-9 (NLT)

3 "And now, because of my devotion to the Temple of my God, I am giving all of my own private treasures of gold and silver to help in the construction. This is in addition to the building materials I have already collected for his holy Temple. 4 I am donating more than 112 tons of gold from Ophir and 262 tons of refined silver to be used for overlaying the walls of the buildings 5 and for the other gold and silver work to be done by the craftsmen. Now then, WHO WILL FOLLOW MY EXAMPLE and GIVE OFFERINGS TO THE LORD TODAY?"

6 Then the family leaders, the leaders of the tribes of Israel, the generals and captains of the army, and the king's administrative officers ALL GAVE WILLINGLY. 9 The people rejoiced over the offerings, for they had GIVEN FREELY AND WHOLEHEARTEDLY TO THE LORD, and King David was filled with joy.

#### <u>PERSPECTIVE</u>

Your Willingness **SETS** AN **EXAMPLE** For Others To Follow



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The Context

In 1 Chronicles 28, David is prohibited from building God's House...

He did not pout or complain... In essence

He says, If I can't Build It.. I will the campaign to pay for it....

Because He Was A Man After God's Own Heart... He Was A Cheerful Giver....

David Says, It Is Not Right For Me To Live In This Nice House And God Is Being Worshiped in a Tent

2 Samuel 7:1-2 (NLT)

1 When King David was settled in his palace and the Lord had given him rest from all the surrounding enemies, 2 the king summoned Nathan the prophet. "Look," David said, "I am living in a beautiful cedar palace, but the Ark of God is out there in a tent!"

#### COMPARE TO GOD'S MESSAGE TO HAGGAI

Haggai 1:3-4 (NLT)

3 Then the Lord sent this message through the prophet Haggai: 4 "Why are you living in luxurious houses while my house lies in ruins?



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1 Chronicles 29

David Knew What He Was Doing Was "FOR THE LORD"

1 Chronicles 29:1 (NIV)

1 Then King David said... The task is great, because this palatial structure is not for man but for the Lord God.

When You Have Given Yourself To The Lord... There is not a problem give your substance to the Lord...

#### 1 Chronicles 29:2-3 (NIV)

- 2 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, stones of various colors, and all kinds of fine stone and marble--all of these in large quantities.
  - 3 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..

#### 2 Corinthians 8:5 (NIV)

5 And they did not do as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us in keeping with God's will.



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1 Chronicles 29

After David Gave Himself and His Substance, He Asked For Like-Minded Leaders To Join In...

1 Chronicles 29:5 (NLT)

5 Now then, who will follow my example and give offerings to the Lord today?"

When The Leader Sets The Tone In Giving and Serving, The People....

- 1) Gave Willingly ~ vs. 6
- 2) Gave Generously ~ vs. 7
- 3) Gave Unconditionally ~ vs. 8
  - 4) Gave Joyfully ~ vs. 9
  - 5) Gave Freely ~ vs. 9
- 6) Gave Wholeheartedly ~ vs. 9

#### Why Did They Do This....

1 Chronicles 29:12-14 (NLT)

12 Wealth and honor come from you alone, for you rule over everything. 13 "O our God, we thank you and praise your glorious name! 14 But who am I, and who are my people, that we could give anything to you? Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you first gave us!



# Day Eleven Meditation

Exodus 25:1-2 (NLT)

1 The Lord said to Moses,2 "Tell the people of Israel to bring me their sacred offerings. Accept the contributions from all whose hearts are moved to offer them.

Exodus 25:8-9 (NLT)

8 "Have the people of Israel build me a holy sanctuary so I can live among them. 9 You must build this Tabernacle and its furnishings exactly according to the pattern I will show you.

Ezra 2:68-69 (NLT)

68 When they arrived at the Temple of the Lord in Jerusalem, some of the family leaders made voluntary offerings toward the rebuilding of God's Temple on its original site, 69 and each leader gave as much as he could.

Deuteronomy 16:17 (NLT)

17 All must give as they are able, according to the blessings given to them by the Lord your God.

2 Corinthians 9:7 (NLT)

7 You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully."



## Day Eleven Meditation

Acts 4:34-35 (NLT)

34 There were no needy people among them, because those who owned land or houses would sell them 35 and bring the money to the apostles to give to those in need.

#### Acts 11:29 (NLT)

29 So the believers in Antioch decided to send relief to the brothers and sisters in Judea, everyone giving as much as they could.

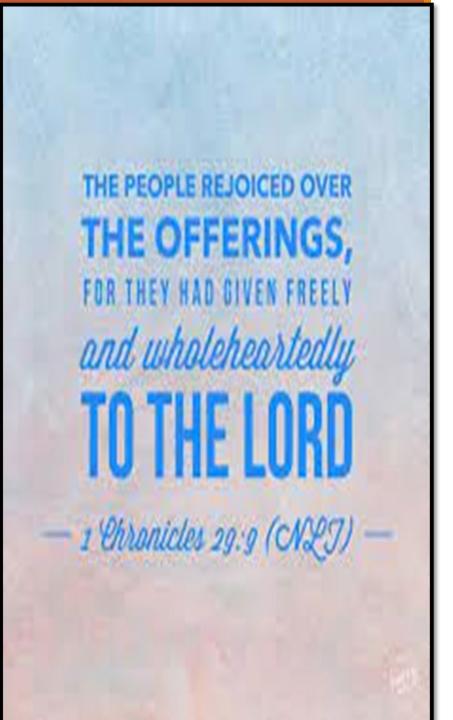
#### Acts 20:35 (NLT)

35 And I have been a constant example of how you can help those in need by working hard. You should remember the words of the Lord Jesus:

'It is more blessed to give than to receive."

#### Exodus 36:5-7 (NLT)

- 5 They went to Moses and reported, "The people have given more than enough materials to complete the job the Lord has commanded us to do!"
  - 6 So Moses gave the command, and this message was sent throughout the camp: "Men and women, don't prepare any more gifts for the sanctuary. We have enough!" So the people stopped bringing their sacred offerings.
- 7 Their contributions were more than enough to complete the whole project.



# Day Eleven Prayer

God, I Thank You For What I Have To Give God, I Thank You For Supplying All My Needs God, I Thank You For Giving Me The Heart To Give God, I Thank You For Instructing Me On How To Give...

God, I Pray That I Will Be An Example Of Others To Give God, I Pray That I Will Give Sacrificially God, I Pray That I Will Give Unconditionally God, I Pray That I Will Give Liberally God, I Pray That I Will Give Joyfully God, I Pray That I Will Give Abundantly God, I Pray That I Will Give Freely In Jesus Name....

Amen