

## A. SERMON SLIDES

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A Deathbed Prayer

I Chronicles 29:6-20

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1 Chronicles 29:6-10 (ESV)

6 Then the leaders of fathers' houses made their freewill offerings, as did also the leaders of the tribes, the commanders of thousands and of hundreds, and the officers over the king's work. 7 They gave for the service of the house of God 5,000 talents and 10,000 darics of gold, 10,000 talents of silver, 18,000 talents of bronze and 100,000 talents of iron. 8 And whoever had precious stones gave them to the treasury of the house of the LORD, in the care of Jehiel the Gershonite. 9 Then the people rejoiced because they had given willingly, for with a whole heart they had offered freely to the LORD. David the king also rejoiced greatly.

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1 Chronicles 29:10-14 (ESV)

10 Therefore David blessed the LORD in the presence of all the assembly. And David said: "Blessed are you, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever. 11 Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. 12 Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. 13 And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.

14 "But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

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1 Chronicles 29:15-20 (ESV)

15 For we are strangers before you and sojourners, as all our fathers were. Our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no abiding. 16 O LORD our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a house for your holy name comes from your hand and is all your own. 17 I know, my God, that you test the heart and have pleasure in uprightness. In the uprightness of my heart I have freely offered all these things, and now I have seen your people, who are present here, offering freely and joyously to you. 18 O LORD, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, our fathers, keep forever such purposes and thoughts in the hearts of your people, and direct their hearts toward you. 19 Grant to Solomon my son a whole heart that he may keep your commandments, your testimonies, and your statutes, performing all, and that he may build the palace for which I have made provision."

20 Then David said to all the assembly, “Bless the LORD your God.” And all the assembly blessed the LORD, the God of their fathers, and bowed their heads and paid homage to the LORD and to the king.

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I. The Vision

II. The Prayer

III. Our Hope and Response

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The Vision from the Spiritual Leader

\* David wants a permanent spiritual structure: A Temple

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What does David REALLY want?:

The presence of God in the center of his people

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1 Chronicles 16:10-11 (ESV)

10 Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!

11 Seek the LORD and his strength; seek his presence continually!

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False dichotomy of building vs. mission

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Why David can't lead the building:

1 Chronicles 28:3 (ESV)

3 But God said to me, ‘You may not build a house for my name, for you are a man of war and have shed blood.’

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When a "rich" person becomes a "poor" person it breaks the Spirit of Self-Reliance.

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Money is so oppressive because it is the god that can serve all our other gods.

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The Prayer from the Spiritual Leader

"What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us"

A.W. Tozer

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"11 Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all. 12 Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all."

- 1) Yours is the Greatness
- 2) Yours is the Power
- 3) Yours is the Glory
- 4) Yours is the Victory
- 5) Yours is the Majesty
- 6) Everything in heaven and on earth is Yours
- 7) Yours is the kingdom
- 8) You exalt Yourself as Head above all
- 9) Riches and honor come from You
- 10) In Your hand it is to make great and give strength to ALL

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"WHO AM I?"

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The way in which David gives is a result of actually believing and knowing God

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"Then the people rejoiced because they had given willingly, for with a whole heart they had offered freely to the LORD. David the king also rejoiced greatly."

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Our Hope and Response

## **B. GROUP DISCUSSION**

1. Have someone read all of I Chronicles 29. What are the themes and ideas that jump out to you? Where would you dig in more fully to study and ask questions of the text?
2. David's vision is the same vision that Moses had for his people: To have and experience the presence of God in the midst of their people. Explain again what the goodness or presence of God is? Is that vision large enough to encompass all other visions a Christian organization may have?
3. Talk about the importance of a vision for a church or home. Is it possible to not have a vision that is being lived out?

4. Explain why David's gift provided a sort of revival.
5. David prays into the attributes of God. He mentions several in verses 10 and 11. Talk briefly about what each one means to you:
  - 1) His Greatness
  - 2) His Power
  - 3) His Glory
  - 4) His Victory
  - 5) His Majesty
  - 6) Everything is His
  - 7) It's His Kingdom
  - 8) He exalts Himself as Head
  - 9) Riches and Honor come from Him
  - 10) Greatness and Strength come from him
6. Explain the meaning of the temple.
7. How is Christ the greater David, and the actual Temple?
8. Why has God's gift not provided a sort of revival for our own church?
9. Pray for revival. Pray into the attributes of God