



COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Week of 3/29/26

Opener (10 minutes or less)

If you lost your left hand, but you could replace it with anything, what would you have instead?

DISCUSSION (50 minutes or less)

Begin your discussion time in prayer.

Scripture Reading: 2 Kings 12

Questions:

1. Joash's desire was to repair the temple — the center of worship. What does this reveal about the importance of prioritizing God's house and God's work? How might this apply to our church today?
 2. Why do you think the work stalled? What are some common reasons important work in the church can be delayed, even when people care?
 3. Joash introduces a new system (the chest for offerings) that leads to progress.
 4. What does this teach us about the role of clear leadership and organization in accomplishing God's work? Why are both heart and structure necessary?
 5. What stands out to you about the attitude of the people and the integrity of the workers? How do generosity and trust work together in the life of a church?
 6. Why are these kinds of practical, behind-the-scenes acts of faithfulness just as important as more visible ministry?
 7. The temple didn't repair itself — people had to act. Where might God be calling you to step into greater faithfulness right now — whether through serving, giving, leading, or simply following through on something you've already committed to?
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PERSONAL (30 minutes or less)

1. Oikos - the 8 to 15 people God supernaturally and strategically places in your life. Any oikos moments you would like to share..
2. What is going on in your life (note prayer requests and praise reports)
3. Pray

2 Kings 12

In the seventh year of Jehu, Jehoash^ḡ began to reign, and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Zibiah of Beersheba. **2** And Jehoash did what was right in the eyes of the LORD all his days, because Jehoiada the priest instructed him. **3** Nevertheless, the high places were not taken away; the people continued to sacrifice and make offerings on the high places.

Jehoash Repairs the Temple

4 Jehoash said to the priests, "All the money of the holy things that is brought into the house of the LORD, the money for which each man is assessed—the money from the assessment of persons—and the money that a man's heart prompts him to bring into the house of the LORD, **5** let the priests take, each from his donor, and let them repair the house wherever any need of repairs is discovered." **6** But by the twenty-third year of King Jehoash, the priests had made no repairs on the house. **7** Therefore King Jehoash summoned Jehoiada the priest and the other priests and said to them, "Why are you not repairing the house? Now therefore take no more money from your donors, but hand it over for the repair of the house." **8** So the priests agreed that they should take no more money from the people, and that they should not repair the house.

9 Then Jehoiada the priest took a chest and bored a hole in the lid of it and set it beside the altar on the right side as one entered the house of the LORD. And the priests who guarded the threshold put in it all the money that was brought into the house of the LORD. **10** And whenever they saw that there was much money in the chest, the king's secretary and the high priest came up and they bagged and counted the money that was found in the house of the LORD. **11** Then they would give the money that was weighed out into the hands of the workmen who had the oversight of the house of the LORD. And they paid it out to the carpenters and the builders who worked on the house of the LORD, **12** and to the masons and the stonecutters, as well as to buy timber and quarried stone for making repairs on the house of the LORD, and for any outlay for the repairs of the house. **13** But there were not made for the house of the LORD basins of silver, snuffers, bowls, trumpets, or any vessels of gold, or of silver, from the money that was brought into the house of the LORD, **14** for that was given to the workmen who were repairing the house of the LORD with it. **15** And they did not ask for an accounting from the men into whose hand they delivered the money to pay out to the workmen, for they dealt honestly. **16** The money from the guilt offerings and the money from the sin offerings was not brought into the house of the LORD; it belonged to the priests.

17 At that time Hazael king of Syria went up and fought against Gath and took it. But when Hazael set his face to go up against Jerusalem, **18** Jehoash king of Judah took all the sacred gifts that Jehoshaphat and Jehoram and Ahaziah his fathers, the kings of Judah, had dedicated, and his own sacred gifts, and all the gold that was found in the treasuries of the house of the LORD and of the king's house, and sent these to Hazael king of Syria. Then Hazael went away from Jerusalem.

The Death of Joash

19 Now the rest of the acts of Joash and all that he did, are they not written in the Book of the Chronicles of the Kings of Judah? **20** His servants arose and made a conspiracy and struck down Joash in the house of Millo, on the way that goes down to Silla. **21** It was Jozacar the son of Shimeath and Jehozabad the son of Shomer, his servants, who struck him down, so that he died. And they buried him with his fathers in the city of David, and Amaziah his son reigned in his place.