



# 1 Chronicles 29:1-20

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## All Scripture is inspired by God....

- Everything necessary given to us...

## Began with this same thought last week

- Beauty and reason for studying whole Bible
- Keeps us from overemphasis on things
- Keeps us from neglecting other things
- Today...a subject I could neglect – giving

## Why is this is a difficult subject for me?

- Partly because so abused today
- So much junk, confusion – people tune out

## But today – is our text – and will teach it

- Not to take up offering, special offering – don't
- Just in our text – and we need it – it is the Word

## Today – want to use this as an example of real giving

- So much junk–want to lay before you what is true

## Context – furthermore

- David's final public speech...last subject
- To leaders and to Solomon – emphasizing hearts

# I. Real Giving is to/for the Lord

1. Note v.1 – it is for the Lord
2. Note v.9 – to the Lord
3. The great danger is that many aims fall beneath
  - a. Not for men, not for churches...to God

# II. Real Giving is for Eternal Treasure

## **1. The theme – is the Temple**

- a. Background Meeting place w/God – Tabernacle
- b. David brought Ark back–wanted to build temple
  - i) God said no...but his descendant would
  - ii) Solomon did Physically – Jesus Spiritually
  - iii) Though David would not see – lived for
- c. Type, picture here is clear – temple type of heaven
  - i) Giving not for here...but there **Heb 9:11,24**

## **2. Eternal Treasure should be what motivates us**

- a. Jesus said to put treasure in heaven **Mt 6:19-21**
- b. Not giving for now...big church, better church
- c. Not giving to get, false teaching **2Pet 2:1-3**

## **3. Eternal Treasure should be what guides us**

- a. Is a sense of bringing into storehouse
- b. Supporting church attend. If couldn't wouldn't attend
- c. Evaluate money to make sure is eternal
  - i) Look for church that handles money right
    - A. Missions? Support staff– some abuse – worker worthy
    - B. Not extravagant – planes, mansions etc
    - C. Missions agencies – how money handled

### III. Real Giving is Consistent

#### **1. Notice words with all his might**

- a. This is not describing outpouring of strength
- b. But describing a consistency – in all he did
- c. David has had a consistent giving to and for
- d. Laid out for us in Chapter 22

#### **2. Simple point – real giving is not sporadic**

#### **3. Some Question – do you mean the tithe?**

- a. Tithe – standard giving in OT for giving – 10%
- b. Debated subject for Bible students – for today?
  - i) Good people disagree
- c. Can say this – is to be consistent, percentage
- d. Personally – think tithe is a good guide

### IV. Real Giving Is Passionate

#### **1. David gave regularly & over and above**

#### **2. Note heart – because it had my affection**

- a. Real giving – not grudging, but joyful, blast
- b. If giving grudgingly – don't – better get heart fixed

#### **3. David uses himself as a model**

- a. Real leaders are to be models

#### **4. Personal testimony**

- a. Not perfect in our handling of money-growing
- b. Giving – did not come naturally or quick
- c. Are pastors and missionaries to tithe – yes
  - i) Old testament see Levites and priests did
- d. Been my great joy to give above and over
  - i) Each paycheck...enjoy this most of all

## V. Real Giving is Willing

1. Note repeated emphasis v.5,6,9,17
2. Seen all the way through Bible – God wants willing
3. If it is not willing – again – don't – no honor

## VI. Real Giving is from Consecration

1. Note what David asks for – consecrate to the Lord
  - a. Means to intentionally, fully give self to the Lord
2. Truly consecration comes before real giving

## VII. Real Giving is a Joy

1. Notice how they respond to giving
  - a. Don't feel ripped of, or grudging
  - b. Not wishing they had the money for something
2. It was a joy. Is what God wants 2 Cor 9:7
  - a. Lit the Greek is hilariously – overjoyed to give
  - b. So important that God values this more than the gift.  
So that if the gift is lacking – heart accepted

## VIII. Real Giving is Blessing from God

1. Final response...is David's prayer
  - a. Great prayer...worth working through sometime
2. Simply – David thanks God they could give
  - a. See giving not as something doing for God alone, but more – something God is giving them
  - b. It is a gift to be able to give – bless God for
  - c. 2 Co 8:1-2

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## Conclusion

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### Do you see what David is calling for, pointing out

- Perhaps what is wild – final public message
- Right that it should be so
- For David lived a life poured out to the Lord
- Found myself thinking of Paul's words
- David, Paul – wanted their lives to challenge ours

### Truth is – can only give what you have been given

- You're never going to understand anything about giving until you've been touched with and accept the greatest gift of all, Jesus Christ.

**(John 3:16 KJV) For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.**

- There is no greater giver than Jesus.

**(2 Cor 8:9 KJV) For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.**

- Perhaps God is looking for you today, looking to invest in you.