

1 CHRONICLES CHAPTER 29

¹ And David the king said to all the congregation, "Solomon my son, whom the Lord has chosen, *is* young and tender, and the work *is* great; for *it is* not for man, but for the Lord God. ² I have prepared according to all *my* might for the house of my God, gold, silver, bronze, iron, wood, onyx stones, and costly and variegated stones for setting, and every precious stone, and much Parian *marble*. ³ Moreover, because I took pleasure in the house of my God, I have gold and silver which I have procured for myself, and behold, I have given them to the house of my God over and above, beyond what I have prepared for the holy house. ⁴ Three thousand talents of gold of Ophir, and seven thousand talents of fine silver, for the overlaying of the walls of the sanctuary; ⁵ *for you to use* the gold for *things of* gold, and the silver for things of silver, and for every work by the hand of the stonecutters. And who is willing to dedicate himself in work this day for the Lord?"

⁶ Then the heads of families, and the princes of the children of Israel, and the captains of thousands and captains of hundreds, and the overseers of the works, and the king's builders, offered willingly. ⁷ And they gave for the works of the house of the Lord five thousand talents of gold, and ten thousand gold *pieces*, and ten thousand talents of silver, and eighteen thousand talents of bronze, and a hundred thousand talents of iron. ⁸ And those who had *precious* stones gave them into the treasuries of the house of the Lord by the hand of Jehiel the Gershonite. ⁹ And the people rejoiced because of the willingness, for they offered willingly to the Lord with a full heart; and King David rejoiced greatly.

¹⁰ And King David blessed the Lord before the congregation, saying, "Blessed are You, O Lord God of Israel, our Father, from everlasting to everlasting. ¹¹ Yours, O Lord, *is* the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the might; for You are Lord of all things that are in heaven and on earth; before Your face every king and nation is troubled. ¹² From You *come* wealth and glory. You, O Lord, rule over all, the Lord of all dominion, and in Your hand *is* strength and rule; and *You are* almighty with Your hand to increase and establish all things.

¹³ "And now, O Lord, we give thanks to You, and praise Your glorious name. ¹⁴ But who am I, and what *is* my people, that we have been able to be thus forward *in offering* to You? For all things *are* Yours, and of Your own have we given You, ¹⁵ for we are strangers before You, and sojourners, as all our fathers *were*; our days upon the earth *are* as a shadow, and there is no abiding.

¹⁶ "O Lord our God, as for all this abundance which I have prepared that a house should be built to Your holy name, it is of Your hand, and all *is* Yours. ¹⁷ And I know, O Lord, that You are He that searches the hearts, and You love righteousness. I have willingly offered all these things in simplicity of heart. And now I have seen with joy Your people, who are present here, willingly offering to You. ¹⁸ O Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel our fathers, preserve these things in the thoughts of the heart of Your people forever, and direct their hearts toward You. ¹⁹ And to Solomon my son give a good heart, to perform Your commandments, and *to observe* Your testimonies, and Your ordinances, and to accomplish the building of Your house." ²⁰ And David said to the whole

congregation, "Bless the Lord our God!" And all the congregation blessed the Lord God of their fathers, and they bowed their knees and worshipped the Lord, and *bowed down* to the king."

²¹ And David sacrificed to the Lord, and offered up burnt offerings to the Lord on the morning after the first day, a thousand calves, a thousand rams, a thousand lambs, and their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel. ²² And they ate and drank joyfully that day before the Lord. And they made Solomon the son of David king a second time, and anointed him king before the Lord, and Zadok to the priesthood. ²³ And Solomon sat upon the throne of his father David, and was highly honored; and all Israel obeyed him. ²⁴ The princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons of King David his father were subject to him. ²⁵ And the Lord magnified Solomon over all Israel, and gave him royal glory, such as was not upon any king before him.

²⁶ And David the son of Jesse reigned over Israel forty years; ²⁷ seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. ²⁸ And he died in a good old age, full of days, in wealth, and glory; and Solomon his son reigned in his place. ²⁹ And the rest of the acts of David, the former and the latter, are written in the history of Samuel the seer, and in the history of Nathan the prophet, and in the history of Gad the seer, ³⁰ concerning all his reign, and his power, and the times which went over him, and over Israel, and over all the kingdoms of the earth.