

Pastor's Wednesday Night Bible Study
David: Developing a Heart for God

Generous Giving
Lesson 12–1 Chronicles 29

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Introduction

Giving becomes easier when you understand the meaning of sacrifice. It's defined as, surrendering something of value, for something of greater value. When understood it results in joyful giving.

David's Perspective *on* Giving

- ❖ **1 Chronicles 29:1-5.**
- ❖ Giving to God requires special consideration.
- ❖ His provisions are not greater than the provider.
- ❖ He was liberal in the amount he gave.
- ❖ He motivated others to give by giving.

David's Influence

- ❖ **1 Chronicles 29:6-9.**
- ❖ The leaders followed David's example.
- ❖ They gave freely.
- ❖ They gave generously.
- ❖ They gave excitingly.
- ❖ Their example was followed by the people.

David's Perspective Clarified

- ❖ **1 Chronicles 29:10-13.**
- ❖ He praised the Lord for the results.
- ❖ He recognizes God's power.
- ❖ He observes God's prominence.
- ❖ He points to God's ownership.
- ❖ His offering paled in comparison.

David's Perspective continued....

- ❖ **1 Chronicles 29:14-19.**
- ❖ He sees giving as a privilege.
- ❖ The insignificance of his existence is noticed.
- ❖ God is in control from start to finish.
- ❖ A willing heart is a value statement and a sign of God's power at work.

The Results *of* Obedience

- ❖ **1 Chronicles 29:20-25.**
- ❖ It gives you a reason to celebrate.
- ❖ God doubles his blessings to those who obey.
- ❖ It promotes respect for authority.
- ❖ It stimulates a desire to follow leadership.

The Epitaph of David

- ❖ **1 Chronicles 29:26-30**
- ❖ He died at a good old age.
- ❖ He lived an enjoyable life.
- ❖ He accumulated great wealth and honor.
- ❖ His son succeeded him as king.

Lessons from the Life *of* David

- ❖ **David's life was characterized by...**
- ❖ Courage. (Psalm 27:1)
- ❖ Patience. (Psalm 27:14)
- ❖ Faith. (Psalm 31:14-15)
- ❖ Humility. (2 Samuel 7:18)
- ❖ Honesty. (2 Samuel 24:10)
- ❖ Personal Sacrifice. (1 Chronicles 29:3)

Conclusion

The epitaph of David can be ours, if we are willing to live in accordance with the positive example he has left, embrace the lessons his life has taught, and yield to the same God that he served.