

FINAL STUDY NOTES – 2 Chronicles Chapters 1-3 7/13-14/2026

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OPENING PRAYER

LAST WEEK: *1 Chronicles Chapter 24* – The Division of the Priests; Other Levites. *Chapter 25* – The Musicians. *Chapter 26* – The Gatekeepers; The Treasuries and Other Duties. *Chapter 27* – The Military Divisions; Leaders of Tribes; Other State Officials. *Chapter 28* – Solomon Instructed to Build the Temple. *Chapter 29* – Offerings for Building the Temple; David's Praise to God; Solomon Anointed King; The Close of David's Reign.

THIS WEEK: 2 Chronicles Chapter 1 – Solomon Requests Wisdom – (vs. 1-12); Solomon's Military and Economic Power - (vs. 13-17). **Chapter 2** – Solomon Prepares to Build the Temple – (vs. 1-18). **Chapter 3** – Solomon Builds the Temple – (vs. 1-17).

Introduction to 2 Chronicles: The Book of Second Chronicles parallels First and Second Kings but virtually ignores the northern kingdom of Israel because of its false worship and refusal to acknowledge the temple in Jerusalem.

Chronicles focus on those kings who pattern their lives and reigns after the life and reign of godly King David. It gives extended treatment to such zealous reformers as Asa, Jehoshaphat, Joash, Hezekiah, and Josiah.

The temple and temple worship, central throughout the book, benefit a nation whose worship of God is central to its very survival. The book begins with Solomon's glorious temple and concludes with Cyrus's edict to rebuild the temple more than four hundred years later.

2 Chronicles Chapter 1 – Solomon Requests Wisdom; Solomon's Military and Economic Power; Solomon Worships at Gibeon

2Ch 1:1 Now Solomon the son of David was strengthened in his kingdom, and the LORD his God was with him and exalted him exceedingly.

- **This verse is loaded with potential!** Solomon was strengthened. The LORD his God was with him. David, in the encouragement of Solomon, kept saying to him, “And may the LORD be with you.” So it was, “The LORD was with him, and magnified him exceedingly!” What a great start to his reign!

2Ch 1:2-6 And Solomon spoke to all Israel (the leadership), to the captains of thousands and of hundreds, to the judges, and to every leader in all Israel, the heads of the fathers' houses. [3] Then Solomon, and all the assembly with him, went to the high place that was at Gibeon; for the tabernacle of meeting with God was there, which Moses the servant of the LORD had made in the wilderness. [4] But David had brought up the ark of God from Kirjath Jearim to the place David had prepared for it, for he had pitched a tent for it at Jerusalem. [5] Now the bronze altar that Bezalel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, had made, he put before the tabernacle of the LORD; Solomon and the assembly sought Him there. [6] And Solomon went up there to the bronze altar before the LORD, which was at the tabernacle of meeting, and offered a thousand burnt offerings on it.

- Offered a thousand burnt offerings, Solomon is communicating a complete surrender to God for his reign and the nation of Israel! It was a physical event, but it was communicating something spiritual in their heart to the LORD. That is how Solomon began his reign here, and it was very commendable and the LORD loved it!
- Paul writes (**Rom 12:1**) I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. The idea there is of a burnt offering, that there is a point in time, yes, we can offer our lives to the Lord in consecration or surrender to Him on a daily basis. We must do that.
- **Visualize that burnt offering, that complete surrender to God. Where I surrender and commit my life as a living sacrifice, 100% to You! Is there any part of me trying to squirm off the altar? If you sit here right now and you haven't settled the issue of Jesus's lordship in your life, that we must do! Oh Lord help me to do that right now! To be fully committed to You!**

Solomon Prays for Wisdom

2Ch 1:7 On that night God appeared to Solomon, and said to him, "Ask! What shall I give you?"

- After this tremendous experience of having offered unto the LORD, a thousand burnt offerings, that night the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream, saying, “Ask what I shall give you?”
- The LORD says that to you and me! Jesus said, (**Joh 15:7**) If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. He said, (**Joh 14:13**) And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. (**Joh 14:14**) If you ask anything in My name, I will do it. (**Luk 11:9**) "So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you.
- Those are pretty broad promises! They are promises that are so broad, it has led a lot of people into a spiritual trap, believing that I can ask God for just anything I want. Then their minds go immediately to those things that would be pleasing or satisfying to the flesh. They think that these promises are somehow designed to fulfill our every fleshly desire. These are tremendous promises by Jesus, to us.
- But who is Jesus speaking to when He made these extremely broad promises in regard to prayer? In each case, He was talking to His disciples! He was not talking to the multitudes; He was not talking to outsiders. What constitutes discipleship? (**Luk 9:23**) Then He said to them all, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me.
- To whom did Jesus say, “Ask”? He said it to His disciples, who first of all, had denied self. Which would then preclude my asking for something for my flesh, or just to satisfy the desires of my flesh, because those I reckon to be dead, crucified with Christ. I have denied the self-life.
- The whole idea that I can go out and claim or some exotic sports car, or some opulent lifestyle, is totally opposite to what discipleship is. The man who has denied himself, to take up the cross, to follow Jesus. **Ask! What shall I give you?"**
- **What would my answer be if my Lord asks me, “Ask what shall I give you?” Would I ask for something physical or spiritual? Which is most important in my life! Would it be for His wisdom? Maybe the best answer is, “Lord, You just give me whatever You want to.” Because of God's grace, His love, and His goodness. whatever God wants to give me, I know I will be totally happy and satisfied.**

2Ch 1:8 And Solomon said to God: "You have shown great mercy to David my father, and have made me king in his place.

- Surely the LORD was merciful to David. David was aware of that. Many of David's Psalms are devoted to the mercies of God. (**Psa 103:11**) For as the heavens are high above the earth, So great is His mercy toward those who fear

Him; He devotes the Psalms to extolling the mercy of God! Solomon was conscious of God's mercy. "You have shown great mercy to David my father and have made me king in his place."

2Ch 1:9 Now, O LORD God, let Your promise to David my father be established, for You have made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude.

- **Now what was the promise to David?** That God would raise up a son after him, to sit upon the throne, and this son would build the temple. LORD, just establish that promise that you made to David my father concerning me.

2Ch 1:10 Now give me wisdom and knowledge, that I may go out and come in before this people; for who can judge this great people of Yours?"

- **Solomon, realizing his shortcomings, his inabilities, is asking the LORD to give him the capacity** to fulfill the obligations that had been placed upon him, as king over Israel. He was acknowledging the fact that he was too weak for the task. You know, those are the people, who recognize their own inabilities or weaknesses, God loves to bless! Those who feel they are completely capable, not needing any help, the LORD often just lets that person go on, in his own power, and his own strength, and mess things up. But that person who recognizes, "LORD, this is too much for me. I cannot handle it. I need your help! LORD help me to fulfill this mission that has been set before me."
- **Recognizing his own limitations, he seeks for the help of God.** Those are the men that are blessed of God, and those that are men that are used by God because they then are the men that will give glory to God, knowing that the work is of God, and not of themselves.
- **(Isa 42:8) I am the LORD, that is My name; And My glory I will not give to another, Nor My praise to carved images. Do I always give God all the glory?**

2Ch 1:11-12 Then God said to Solomon: "Because this was in your heart, and you have not asked riches or wealth or honor or the life of your enemies, nor have you asked long life—but have asked wisdom and knowledge for yourself, that you may judge My people over whom I have made you king— [12] wisdom and knowledge are granted to you; and I will give you riches and wealth and honor, such as none of the kings have had who were before you, nor shall any after you have the like."

- **God was pleased with his request because his request was only for the capacity or ability.** "God give me the capacity to do the work You have called me to do. Enable me in this task." The LORD said, "I'll do that, but this is what I will also do." God is so good, and so many times does more than we ask!
- **The thing about prayer is a most important lesson.** We are going to be getting to it! Yes! In chapters fourteen to sixteen, with King Asa, we will be getting there. **(2Ch 16:9)** For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is loyal to Him. In this you have done foolishly; therefore from now on you shall have wars."
- **Here is the basic principle. God is looking for people whose hearts, and lives are attuned with His.** People that are doing the things that He wants done. People whose hearts are towards the work of the LORD. God is looking for such people, in order that He might pour out His power, His blessing, His strength and His resources upon them. The secret is just to get your heart in harmony with God, and the purposes of God. That is the kind of a man that God is looking for, that God might channel His resources through him.
- **Solomon got his heart in line with God.** "LORD I want wisdom and knowledge, to govern these people." "Good, your heart is in line with My desires, so here is what I'm going to do for you; more and above."
- **How closely is my heart aligned with that of God's desires for me? Partially, somewhat completely, or very closely? How willingly and how quickly do I respond to His course corrections?**

2Ch 1:13-17 So Solomon came to Jerusalem from the high place that was at Gibeon, from before the tabernacle of meeting, and reigned over Israel. [14] And Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen; he had one thousand four hundred chariots and twelve thousand horsemen, whom he stationed in the chariot cities and with the king in Jerusalem. [15] Also the king made silver and gold as common in Jerusalem as stones, and he made cedars as abundant as the sycamores which are in the lowland. [16] And Solomon had horses imported from Egypt and Kaveh; the king's merchants bought them in Keveh at the current price. [17] They also acquired and imported from Egypt a chariot for six hundred shekels of silver, and a horse for one hundred and fifty; thus, through their agents, they exported them to all the kings of the Hittites and the kings of Syria.

- **Solomon began to develop military strength. The chariots, the horses. But in this is a problem.** In **(Deu 17:14)** "When you come to the land which the LORD your God is giving you, and possess it and dwell in it, and say, 'I will set a king over me like all the nations that are around me.
- **First rule for him, [16] But he shall not multiply horses for himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt to multiply horses, for the LORD has said to you, 'You shall not return that way again.'** So here is Solomon, breaking the

very first commandment concerning kings! When the nation would come to the place of establishing the monarchy, God laid out the rules for the kings, and Solomon is now violating the very first rule.

- **Second rule, (Deu 17:17) *Neither shall he multiply wives for himself, lest his heart turn away.*** He broke the second rule in a huge way, having seven hundred wives! But why shouldn't he multiply wives? "That his heart turn not away!"
- **Also he did not keep the law regarding multiplying silver and gold! *Nor shall he greatly multiply silver and gold for himself.*** Solomon made silver and gold as common as stones in Jerusalem.
- **Solomon is beginning a direction that is going to be a downfall.** As he begins to multiply horses; goes down to Egypt to do horse trading; as he begins to multiply the gold and silver; and then, in time, begins to multiply his wives, who ultimately turned his heart away from the LORD. He began to build the pagan temples around Jerusalem on the Mount of Offense, across from the temple mount. Those became a stumbling block, to Israel, to Solomon. So tragically, though he had every potential, every opportunity, the net result of Solomon's life was that of failure, because of his disobedience to the commands of God.
- ***Unfortunately, at times, I feel that my sin is a special exception or case. "Oh yes, I know the LORD says that is wrong, but my situation is different." Somehow I can bend the rules just a little bit and get by. No! Solomon, as wise as he was, violated the rules that God had established, and just as God said, he began to suffer, and pay the consequences.***

Chapter Two - Preparing to Build the Temple

2Ch 2:1-4 Then Solomon determined to build a temple for the name of the LORD, and a royal house for himself. [2] Solomon selected seventy thousand men to bear burdens, eighty thousand to quarry stone in the mountains, and three thousand six hundred to oversee them. [3] Then Solomon sent to Hiram king of Tyre, saying: As you have dealt with David my father, and sent him cedars to build himself a house to dwell in, so deal with me. [4] Behold, I am building a temple for the name of the LORD my God, to dedicate it to Him, to burn before Him sweet incense, for the continual showbread, for the burnt offerings morning and evening, on the Sabbaths, on the New Moons, and on the set feasts of the LORD our God. This is an ordinance forever to Israel.

- **Solomon announces his intentions to Hiram, to build this house for the LORD, his God.** That would replace the tabernacle. Instead of going up to Gibeon, to the tabernacle, the bronze altar, and all. "We will bring it all down to Jerusalem, we will build the house here. This is where we will gather to worship God. Here is where we will gather for the feasts, offering sacrifices before the LORD continually. This will become the place where the people will gather to worship the LORD!

2Ch 2:5 And the temple which I build will be great, for our God is greater than all gods.

- **In the ancient cities, the most magnificent building in the city was to the chief god, or goddess of that city.** In looking at the *tels*, that artificial hill that has been built, you see one end of the *tel*, which is higher. You know where the temple was in that city, because the high part of the mound is where the temple ruins are.
- **It was the custom of these people to build these houses for their gods, in a prominent place of the city.** Solomon says, "This temple must be great, for our God is greater than all gods. Because we serve the true and the living God, our temple must be greater than any temple ever built." Solomon set himself to the building of this temple, and surely it was the most magnificent temple ever built.
- **The Bible declares that you and I are the temple of the Holy Spirit. (1Co 6:19) Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?**
- **We are the Holy of Holies. for God in this world, because the Holy Spirit has come into our lives.** Everywhere we go in this world, we take the presence of God, the Holy Spirit, with us in this world.
- **The huge amount of gold in the temple was on the inside.** You could only appreciate the beauty from the inside!
- ***We Christians are rather plain looking on the outside, but inside in a life that is yielded to God, you see nobleness, virtue, beauty, and Christlikeness that is more valuable than all of the gold inside the temple. The beauty of what He's building into our lives. It is a priceless thing that God is doing in our lives. Do we realize how priceless we are because of what He had done in us?***

2Ch 2:6 But who is able to build Him a temple, since heaven and the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him? Who am I then, that I should build Him a temple, except to burn sacrifice before Him?

- **Solomon was not deceived into thinking that he was going to build a house that God is going to dwell in!** He had the proper concept of God, that God is not localized. He realized that God was omnipresent. He no doubt, got this from his father, David, (Psa 139:7-9) *Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? [8] If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there. [9] If I take the wings of the*

morning, And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea. Solomon realized that this house cannot contain God! The heaven, and the heaven of heavens cannot contain Him! The universe is too small for Him; He fills the entire universe! God transcends all things, the universe itself.

- **Isaiah tells us, (Isa 40:12) Who has measured the waters in the hollow of His hand, Measured heaven with a span, And calculated the dust of the earth in a measure? Weighed the mountains in scales And the hills in a balance?** The Greatness of God. Thus, “We are not building a house for God to live in, we are just building a place for us to offer sacrifices, and burn incense before Him, that is all. We are not deceived into thinking that God can dwell in this place. It is a place where we gather to worship God, and God meets us here!
- **But, God meets us on the way here, and He meets us on the way home, and He meets us when we get out of bed, and He is there.** You know, you do not escape the presence of God. Often we have the idea of a holy place, and so now I should behave myself in a different manner, because this is a holy place, because God is in this place. Well, God is everywhere! So everywhere is a holy place. Behave yourself wherever you are!

• **How differently do I act when I am in church, compared to when I am at home? At home alone?**

2Ch 2:7 Therefore send me at once a man skillful to work in gold and silver, in bronze and iron, in purple and crimson and blue, who has skill to engrave with the skillful men who are with me in Judah and Jerusalem, whom David my father provided.

- **David had assembled the building crew and the materials.** David really had a big part in the building of the temple and put together the money for it.

2Ch 2:8 Also send me cedar and cypress and algum logs from Lebanon, for I know that your servants have skill to cut timber in Lebanon; and indeed my servants will be with your servants,

- **David numbered the men needed; Eighty thousand of them to go and cut the timbers. Seventy thousand to carry them,** to bear the burdens.

2Ch 2:9-12 to prepare timber for me in abundance, for the temple which I am about to build shall be great and wonderful. [10] And indeed I will give to your servants, the woodsmen who cut timber, twenty thousand kors of ground wheat, twenty thousand kors of barley, twenty thousand baths of wine, and twenty thousand baths of oil. [11] Then Hiram king of Tyre answered in writing, which he sent to Solomon: Because the LORD loves His people, He has made you king over them. [12] Hiram also said: Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, who made heaven and earth, for He has given King David a wise son, endowed with prudence and understanding, who will build a temple for the LORD and a royal house for himself!

- **“Blessed be the LORD God of Israel”** Here is Hiram, a great lover of David, always was an admirer of David. Now, he acknowledges the God of David, the LORD, to be the creator, who made the heaven and the earth.
- **The Queen of Sheba also responded this way, (1Ki 10:9) Blessed be the LORD your God, who delighted in you, setting you on the throne of Israel! Because the LORD has loved Israel forever, therefore He made you king, to do justice and righteousness.**

2Ch 2:13-15 And now I have sent a skillful man, endowed with understanding, Hiram my master craftsman [14] (the son of a woman of the daughters of Dan, and his father was a man of Tyre), skilled to work in gold and silver, bronze and iron, stone and wood, purple and blue, fine linen and crimson, and to make any engraving and to accomplish any plan which may be given to him, with your skillful men and with the skillful men of my lord David your father. [15] Now therefore, the wheat, the barley, the oil, and the wine which my lord has spoken of, let him send to his servants.

- **This man is sharp, very artistic, and gifted!** I will send him to work with your men. Any problems that they have, he will be able to solve them.

2Ch 2:16 And we will cut wood from Lebanon, as much as you need; we will bring it to you in rafts by sea to Joppa, and you will carry it up to Jerusalem.

- **They made these large floats, rafts of logs. They put them in at Tyre, and then paddled them down the coast, to Joppa, a distance of sixty miles. They would bring them to the port there at Joppa. The seventy thousand men would carry them over land, from Joppa to Jerusalem, a distance of about twenty-five miles.**

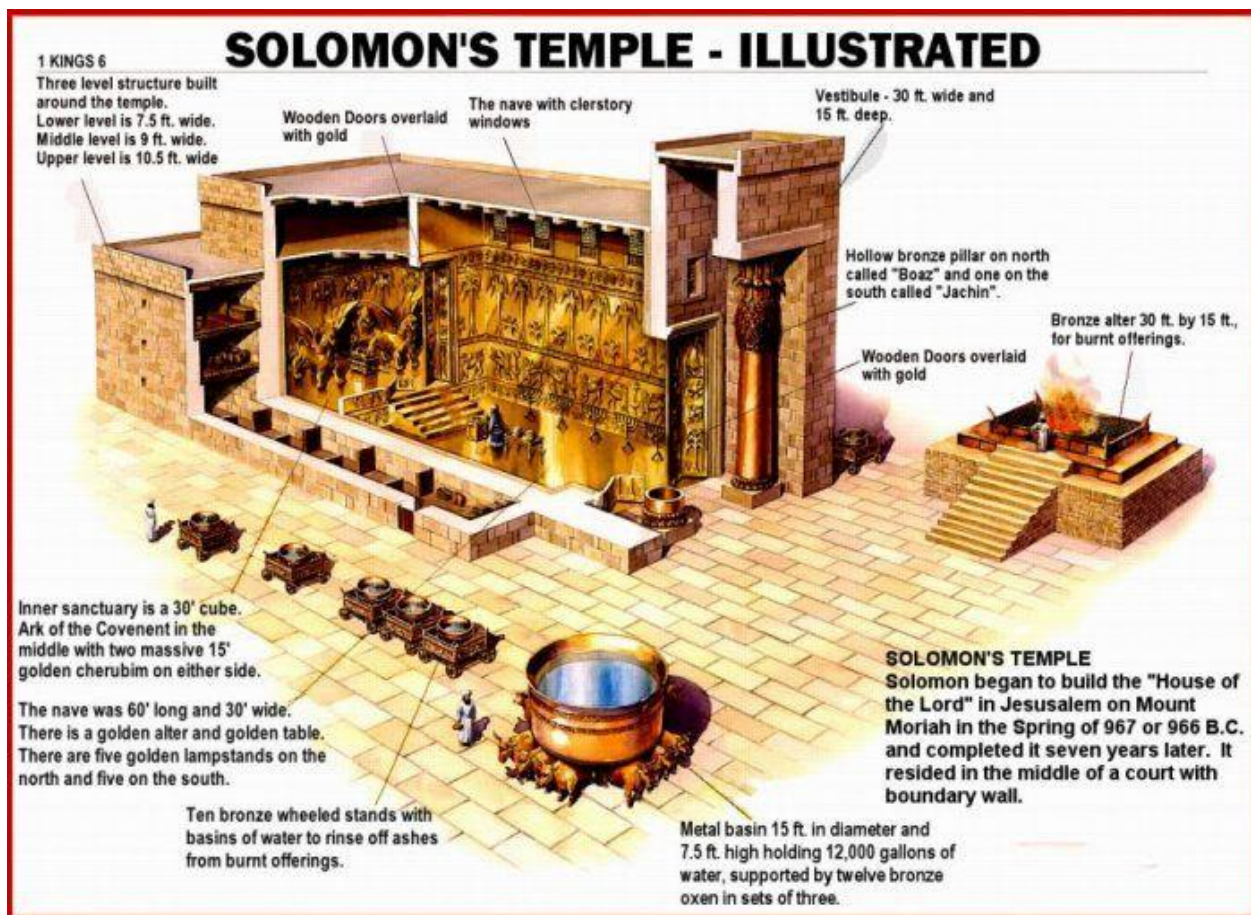
2Ch 2:17-18 Then Solomon numbered all the aliens who were in the land of Israel, after the census in which David his father had numbered them; and there were found to be one hundred and fifty-three thousand six hundred. [18] And he made seventy thousand of them bearers of burdens, eighty thousand stonecutters in the mountain, and three thousand six hundred overseers to make the people work.

- **Solomon selected 153,600 aliens or strangers in the land to constitute the workforce that David had numbered. 70,000 bearers of burdens: 80,000 stonecutters and 3,600 overseers. No Jewish men were to be common laborers.**

Chapter Three - Solomon Builds the Temple

2Ch 3:1-2 Now Solomon began to build the house of the LORD at Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where the LORD had appeared to his father David, at the place that David had prepared on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite. [2] And he began to build on the second day of the second month in the fourth year of his reign.

- (1Ki 6:1) And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel had come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month of Ziv, which is the second month, that he began to build the house of the LORD. Many believe this was 966/967B.C.
- **Mount Moriah.** The first mention comes in the book of Genesis, Chapter 22, when God, testing Abraham's faith, told him to take his son, his only son Isaac to Mount Moriah and sacrifice him there.
- **They began a three-day journey until the LORD showed to Abraham the mount.** Abraham said to his servants, "You stay here. I and the lad will go and worship and will come again." Isaac said, "Dad, we've got the wood and the fire, but where's the sacrifice?" Abraham offered those prophetic words, "The LORD will provide Himself a sacrifice. In the Mount of the LORD, it shall be seen." They came to the Mount. Abraham built the altar. He bound his son Isaac and raised the knife. The LORD stopped him, saying, "Okay Abraham, that is enough. Behold, there is a ram caught by it is horns in the thicket. Take the ram and offer it as a sacrifice."
- **Abraham called the name of the place Jehovah-Jireh, which means, "The LORD will provide."** He said, "For in the Mount of the LORD, it shall be seen." The LORD will provide! What? He said earlier, "The LORD will provide Himself a sacrifice!" Now He says, "In the Mount of the LORD, it shall be seen." That Mount was Mount Moriah! The
- place that God called Abraham to offer the sacrifice. "Your son, your only son." The place where God provided the ram is the very place that God has chosen for the building of the temple.



- **Prophecies often have a dual fulfillment. This prophecy is no exception.** For a thousand years later, on the top of **About a thousand years later, David buys the threshing floor, of Ornan, there on Mount Moriah.** As he buys the place, the hand of the LORD was stayed, who was in the process of slaying the people of Israel for David's sin. The

hand of the LORD was stayed, and David said, “This is the house of God. This is the place for the house of God.

”Mount Moriah, God provided Himself, a sacrifice. And Calvary, Mount Calvary, is in fact, the top of Mount Moriah.

2Ch 3:3-6 This is the foundation which Solomon laid for building the house of God: The length was sixty cubits (by cubits according to the former measure (usually assumed to be 18 inches) and the width twenty cubits. [4] And the vestibule that was in front of the sanctuary was twenty cubits (thirty feet) long across the width of the house, and the height was one hundred and twenty (some question this number). He overlaid the inside with pure gold. [5] The larger room (the Holy Place, priests only) he paneled with cypress which he overlaid with fine gold, and he carved palm trees and chainwork on it. [6] And he decorated the house with precious stones for beauty, and the gold was gold from Parvaim.

- The walls and ceilings were made of wood, overlaid with gold. Going in, you would see a golden house, ceilings, walls. In the gold there were embedded these gemstones, the diamonds, and the rubies, and so forth. It must have been magnificent to see!
- **2Ch 3:7-8 He also overlaid the house—the beams and doorposts, its walls and doors—with gold; and he carved cherubim on the walls. [8] And he made the Most Holy Place (The Holy of Holies). Its length was according to the width of the house, twenty cubits, and its width twenty cubits. He overlaid it with six hundred talents of fine gold.**
 - The Most Holy Place was a thirty-foot cube, twice the size of the Holy of Holies in the tabernacle. The temple was twice the size of the tabernacle. He overlaid it with six hundred talents of fine gold.

2Ch 3:9-14 The weight of the nails was fifty shekels of gold; and he overlaid the upper area with gold. [10] In the Most Holy Place he made two cherubim, fashioned by carving (olive wood), and overlaid them with gold. [11] The wings of the cherubim were twenty cubits in overall length: one wing of the one cherub was five cubits, touching the wall of the room, and the other wing was five cubits, touching the wing of the other cherub; [12] one wing of the other cherub was five cubits, touching the wall of the room, and the other wing also was five cubits, touching the wing of the other cherub. [13] The wings of these cherubim spanned twenty cubits overall. They stood on their feet, and they faced inward. [14] And he made the veil of blue, purple, crimson, and fine linen, and wove cherubim into it.

- Some say this veil that was over the entrance to the Holy of Holies, was made of this fine linen, was eighteen inches thick. It would be almost impossible to rip such a thick veil. But God did it when Jesus died on the cross! (Mrk 15:38) Then the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. “And the veil of the temple was rent from the top to the bottom.”
- The veil in front of the Holy of Holies was always a symbol to man, of how sinful man could not approach a holy God. The approach to God was barred. Only one man could come within the veil, and that only one day in the year, and that only after many sacrifices! But Jesus made the sacrifice that put away our sins, whereby your sins can be once and forever abolished, erased, gone, obliterated!
- The approach to God is now possible by man, whose sins have been cleansed by the blood of Jesus Christ! God was signifying that, when Jesus died. There was that earthquake, and this veil was ripped from the top to the bottom! Ripped right in two, so that God was saying, “Welcome! Come on in!” Fellowship is now possible for those whose lives have been cleansed from sin, through the blood of Jesus Christ. So, they made this veil to cover the entrance to the Holy of Holies, out of blue, purple, crimson, out of this fine linen with the cherubims woven into it. (Heb 10:19-25) Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, [20] by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, [21] and having a High Priest over the house of God, [22] let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. [23] Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. [24] And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, [25] not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another; and so much the more as you see the Day approaching, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh.
- **Am I truly thankful and grateful that this barrier, this veil to approaching God, has been forever removed for me, and all believers, by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ?**

2Ch 3:15-17 Also he made in front of the temple two pillars thirty-five cubits high (1Ki 7:15) And he cast two pillars of bronze, each one eighteen cubits high, and the capital (fancy work) that was on the top of each of them was five cubits



(40-55 feet high-huge bronze pillars). [16] *He made wreaths of chainwork* (carved chains), *as in the inner sanctuary, and put them on top of the pillars; and he made one hundred pomegranates, and put them on the wreaths of chainwork.* [17] *Then he set up the pillars before the temple, one on the right hand and the other on the left; he called the name of the one on the right hand Jachin, and the name of the one on the left Boaz.*

- *They set up the pillars before the temple. That must have been quite a thing!* The casting of that large a pillar of bronze was something that is a mystery to us today. How they could have done that!
- *Jachin, the name of one pillar, in Hebrew is “Whom God strengthens.” Boaz, the name of the other means “Fleetness,” or “stability, strength and stability.” So, “whom God strengthens,” and “strengthens, stability.”*
- ***Jachin; Boaz. The LORD is the One who strengthens us, who gives us stability. Can I see this applying to me? Does my life demonstrate that He really is strengthening me and giving me stability?***

SUMMARY:

- ***2Ch 1:6*** Visualize that burnt offering, that complete surrender to God. Where I surrender and commit my life as a living sacrifice, 100% to You! Is there any part of me trying to squirm off the altar? If you sit here right now and you haven't settled the issue of Jesus's lordship in your life, that we must do! Oh Lord help me to do that right now! To be fully committed to You!
- ***2Ch 1:7*** - What would my answer be if my Lord asks me, “Ask what shall I give you?” Would I ask for something physical or spiritual? Which is most important in my life! Would it be for His wisdom? Maybe the best answer is, “Lord, You just give me whatever You want to.” Because of God’s grace, His love, and His goodness. whatever God wants to give me, I know I will be totally happy and satisfied.
- ***2Ch 1:12*** – How closely is my heart aligned with that of God’s desires for me? Partially, somewhat completely, or very closely? How willingly and how quickly do I respond to His course corrections?
- ***2Ch 1:17*** - Unfortunately, at times, I feel that my sin is a special exception or case. “Oh yes, I know the LORD says that is wrong, but my situation is different.” Somehow I can bend the rules just a little bit and get by. No! Solomon, as wise as he was, violated the rules that God had established, and just as God said, he began to suffer, and pay the consequences.
- ***2Ch 2:5*** - We Christians are rather plain looking on the outside, but inside in a life that is yielded to God, you see nobleness, virtue, beauty, and Christlikeness that is more valuable than all of the gold inside the temple. The beauty of what He's building into our lives. It is a priceless thing that God is doing in our lives. Do we realize how priceless we are because of what He had done in us?
- ***2Ch 3:14*** - Am I truly thankful and grateful that this barrier, this veil to approaching God, has been forever removed for me, and all believers, by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ?
- ***2Ch 3:17*** – *Jachin; Boaz. The LORD is the One who strengthens us, who gives us stability. Can I see this applying to me? Does my life demonstrate that He really is strengthening me and giving me stability?*

The LORD is the One who strengthens us, gives us stability.

ALWAYS - Kristian Stanfill (3:54/3:57)

My foes are many, they rise against me But I will hold my ground I will not fear the war, I will not fear the storm

My help is on the way, my help is on the way

Refrain: Oh, my God, He will not delay My refuge and strength always I will not fear, His promise is true

My God will come through always, always

Troubles surround me, chaos abounding My soul will rest in You I will not fear the war, I will not fear the storm

My help is on the way, my help is on the way (Refrain)

I lift my eyes up, my help comes from the Lord (2x)

From You Lord, from You Lord

Oh, my God, He will not delay My refuge and strength always I will not fear, His promise is true

My God will come through always, always

Oh, my God, He will not delay My refuge and strength always, always

CLOSING PRAYER

NEXT WEEK: Study 2 Chronicles, Chapters 4-6