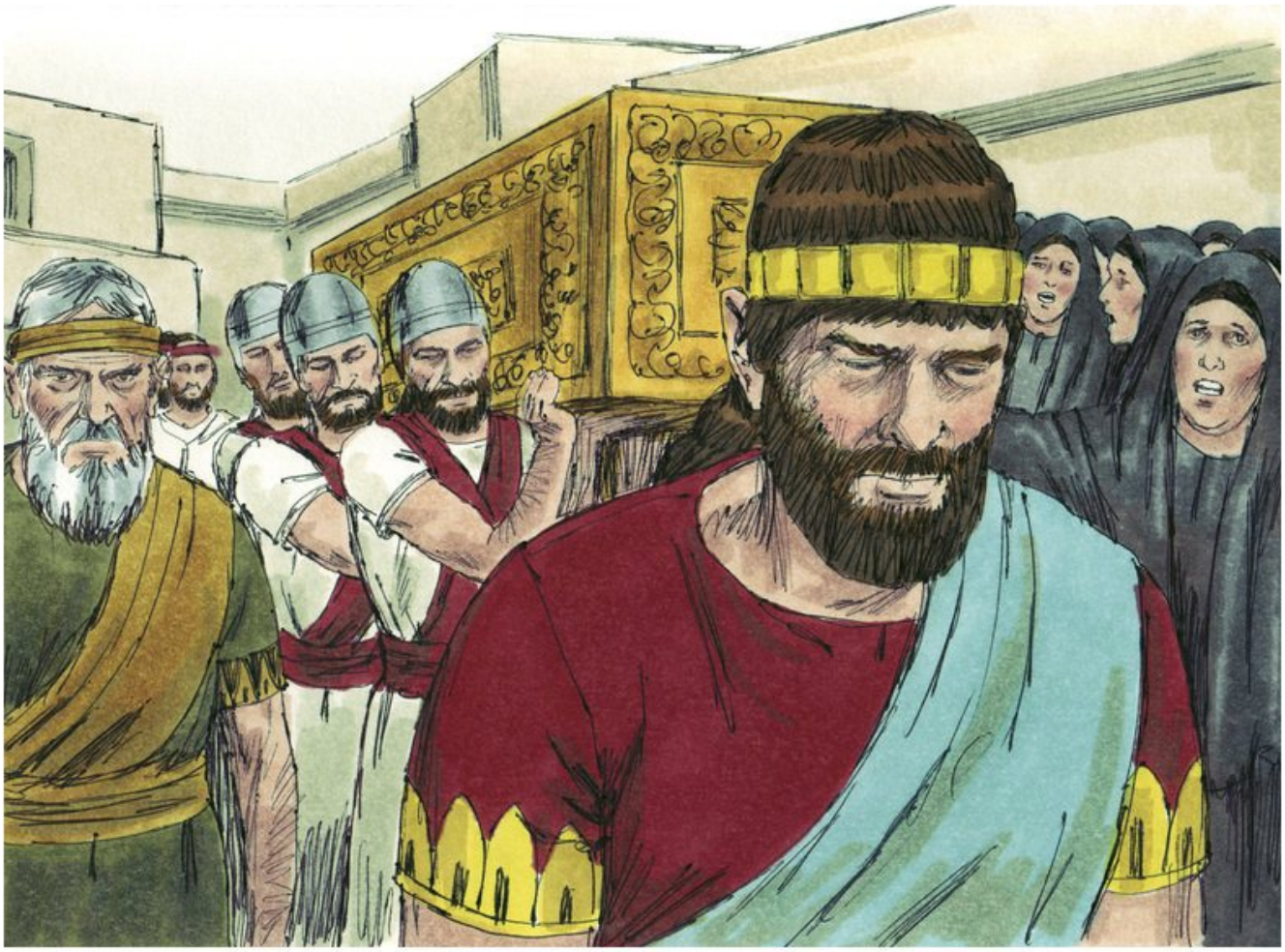
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Gifts Given with Thankful Hearts

1 Chronicles 29:1-20



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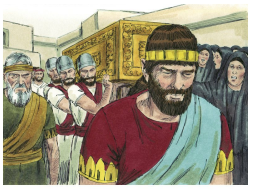
Willing giving and gratitude belong together in preparing a shared work.

Inside: two extended reading pages, a thoughtful reflection, creative activities and a grown-up guide.

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EXTENDED ENGLISH READING • PAGE 1 OF 2

Materials Gathered for God's House



1 Chronicles 29:1-20

David spoke to the gathered people about a great task. His son Solomon had been chosen for it and was still young. The house being prepared was for God, not simply a palace meant to impress a human ruler. David had assembled materials with care: gold, silver, bronze, iron, wood, precious stones, and marble. Different parts of the work would need different supplies and the hands of skilled people to use them.

David also gave gold and silver from his own treasure, beyond what had already been prepared. He explained his affection for God's house and invited others to offer willingly. The account joins giving with purpose. These materials were intended for the work, including what artisans would make. The invitation did not pretend that a valuable object could build a wall by itself or replace the knowledge of those who would carry out the task.

Leaders of families and tribes, army commanders, and officials overseeing the king's work gave willingly. They contributed metals for the service of God's house. People who had precious stones brought those too, and the stones were placed under the care of Jehiel. The offerings involved many people and different kinds of resources. A shared task was being supplied, with named responsibility for keeping what had been given rather than leaving every gift without care.

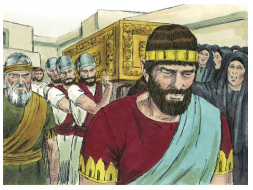
The people rejoiced because the giving was willing and wholehearted. David rejoiced greatly too. The scene then turned from collecting materials toward thanksgiving. The gifts were impressive, but the next part of the passage would ask the assembly to think about where all their resources had come from. The reading follows the offerings into David's public prayer rather than ending with the size of the treasure as though that were the whole meaning of their giving.

Remember: I can receive with thanks and share thoughtfully rather than boast about what I own.

EXTENDED ENGLISH READING • PAGE 2 OF 2

David Gives Thanks with the People

1 Chronicles 29:1-20



David praised God before the assembly. He spoke of God's greatness, power, glory, and rule, saying that everything in heaven and earth belonged to him. Riches and honor were not things David could claim to have created from nothing. The prayer turned attention away from pride in human possessions and toward gratitude. David thanked God and praised his name in front of the people whose offerings had just been described.

Then David asked how he and his people were able to give so willingly. Everything came from God, he said, and what they offered had already belonged to him. This did not make their choices meaningless. It placed those choices inside a larger understanding of receiving before giving. The store of materials for God's house was not a reason to boast that the people were independent of every gift or source of strength beyond themselves.

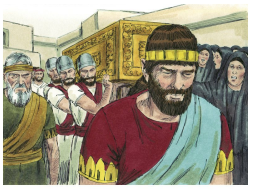
David described human life as brief, like a passing shadow, and remembered their ancestors as travelers before God. He said that God knew the heart and delighted in uprightness. David had given willingly and was glad to see the people doing the same. His prayer asked that this desire remain with them. The request looked beyond one impressive gathering toward the character and intentions with which the community would continue its life together.

David also prayed for Solomon to have a wholehearted commitment to God's commandments and to complete the house for which preparation had been made. Then he called the assembly to bless God. The people praised the God of their ancestors and bowed. This passage stops with their shared worship. It records preparation and thankful giving, rather than the later completion of the building. Their resources, willingness, and prayer belong to a beginning that still requires work.

Pause and think: How could gratitude change the way a group gives to a shared task?

THINK, NOTICE & GROW

Look at Both the Gift and Its Purpose



Imagine contributing to a school garden. Some people have tools to lend with permission; others can offer seeds, planning, or supervised time. Before bringing anything, the group needs to know what is useful. What question could you ask about the purpose? This example is not part of David's gathering. It shows how a gift can support a real task instead of becoming a competition over who brings the most.

Think of something you use that other people helped provide: a book, a meal, or a place to learn. Who contributed to it? You may not know every name, but noticing the chain can encourage gratitude. It does not mean ignoring your own effort. It means remembering that even useful work often depends on resources and care received from others along the way.

Willing giving allows people to consider their situation. You do not need to surrender money or a treasured possession to prove your faith. A caregiver can help you choose an appropriate contribution, including a skill or a little time. Thankfulness can also appear in caring for shared materials so that the next person can use them, not only in bringing something new.

A SMALL STEP FOR TODAY

David and the people give willingly, then thank God as the source of the resources they can share.

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Read, Remember & Create

Name: _____ Date: _____

1 Think about the reading

1. Who would carry forward the building work?

2. What did David say about the source of their gifts?

2 Put the ideas in order

Write 1, 2 and 3 for the order these ideas appear in the reading.

- ☐ David prays with gratitude, and the assembly praises God.
- ☐ The leaders and people offer and rejoice.
- ☐ David presents prepared materials and invites willing giving.

3 Draw a meaningful picture

Draw different materials and tools around a thank-you banner for a shared building project.

Tell someone how your picture connects to the reading.

Read & Grow Together

Read and learn with context

This English edition is designed for ages 6-10 with an adult. Read both extended readings together, or enjoy one each day. Pause at unfamiliar words, invite questions and use the reflection page to connect the story with everyday life. These are retellings and lessons with explanations; read the listed Bible passage for context. Poetry, parables, letters and symbolic visions are identified by type.

Remember this

I can receive with thanks and share thoughtfully rather than boast about what I own.
Original memory thought, not a direct Bible quotation. Related passage: 1 Chronicles 29:14-19

A thoughtful conversation

Keep the reading within verses 1-20: it concerns preparations, willing offerings, and prayer, not the later sacrifices or Solomon's enthronement. David's words about all gifts coming from God should invite gratitude, not pressure children to give beyond their means. Include skills and care among appropriate modern examples of sharing.

Activity answers

1. David's son Solomon would carry it forward.
2. All came from God, and they were giving from what they had received.
Sequence boxes, top to bottom: 3, 2, 1. Personal responses and drawings will vary.

Optional prayer

If you wish: God, thank you for what we receive. Help us share willingly and wisely.

Print and share

Each pack has 6 pages. Print on A4 at Actual Size (100%). The worksheet is page 5. You may print just that page, or use the separate 150-page activity book. The collection contains 150 packs in Bible book order, 15 volumes and one ZIP. Catalog pack IDs stay the same when new readings are added.

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