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We are good stewards of faithfulness and goodness

1 Chronicles 27

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This chapter describes the organization of King David in his later years and gives a list of officials and managers at all levels who were responsible for the affairs of the state. David saw himself as beloved of God, and he reigned with the LORD, over the earth, over the birds of the air, over the fish of the sea, and over the beasts of the earth. David not only had a strong army, but also a strong economy, and in David's arrangement, we can get a glimpse of what it means to reign with God, what it means to rule the earth, and what it means to be fruitful and multiply, to fill

the whole earth, and to rule the earth. Although the Bible does not say that David was the second Adam, he did exactly what Adam could not. David not only guarded the Garden of Eden, but also blessed the twelve tribes.

David learned the principles of God's rule and became more confident in God's promise, and now that God had promised the patriarch Abraham, "I will make thy seed as many as the dust of the earth, and if a man can number the dust of the earth, he shall number thy seed" (Gen. 13:16). God promised Abraham that the Israelites would be as numerous as the stars in the sky, and we are to dwell in God's promise, believing that God will bless us greatly, be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.

As Christians, we are called to be good stewards of the faithful and good. This is not only our stewardship of material resources, but also all that God has given us. The faithful protection and rational use of time, talents, relationships, and the gospel message.

We're going to:

### 1. Recognize the meaning of housekeeping

There are many references to faithful stewardship in the Bible. Luke 12:42 says, "And the Lord said, Who is he the faithful and discreet steward, whom hath he appointed over his household, and to give them food in due season?" This passage emphasizes the qualities of a steward—faithfulness and discernment. Like this steward, we should be diligent in managing every resource God has entrusted to us.

### 2. The steward of time

Time is a resource that cannot be recycled, and we need to use it wisely. Ephesians 5:15-16 says, "Therefore take heed not as fools, but as wise. Make the most of your time, for this age is evil." We should have a reasonable plan to devote our time to ministry that is good for us and others, such as Bible reading, prayer, evangelism, and serving others.

### 3. Talented stewards

God has given each person a different talent and ability, and we are to make good use of these gifts to glorify God and bless others. First Peter 4:10 says, "Let each one serve one another according to the gift he has been given, and be a good steward of all the gifts of God." This means that we should identify our talents and

look for opportunities to serve the church and community, whether it be teaching, singing, caring, or other forms of service.

#### 4: Steward of possessions

Financial management is an important aspect of faithful stewardship. We need to manage our belongings wisely, avoid waste and overconsumption, and give generously to support the church and those in need. Matthew 6:19–21 reminds us, "Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth..... but lay up treasures in heaven..... for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

#### 5: Stewards of the gospel

As Christians, we have one of our most precious trusts—the gospel. First Corinthians 9:17 says, "If I do this willingly, I have a reward; If I am not reconciled, the responsibility has been entrusted to me." It is our responsibility to share the message of the gospel with others, whether through words, deeds, or testimonies of life, so that more people can know God's love and redemption.

Being good stewards of faithfulness and goodness requires us to always be mindful of God's entrustment and to steward all that is given to us with wisdom and love. We should continually seek God's guidance in prayer so that we can practice these principles in our daily lives and become His faithful servants.

Let's pray together:

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for praising the Lord Jesus and for reminding us to stop asking why we were born into this family. Why this church? Why live in this generation? What do you need to worry about? Ask first each morning whether Your kingdom and Ark are in Harmony with Thy righteousness, and we will experience the richness of your life according to our needs and in Your most appropriate arrangement.

Forgive us for leaving behind Your purpose for us, without abiding in joy, beginning with prayer and ending with thanksgiving in everything. Pray that the Holy Spirit will restore us to the test of Scripture in all things and to properly manage the ploughland or vineyard that Heavenly Father has given us.

Pray that the Holy Spirit will revive our churches and give them not only a spiritual compass, but also a spiritual compass that will lead our brothers and sisters to

identify where the spiritual North is and where they are standing now. So that all of us in the church can help our brothers and sisters to care for one another, inspire love, and encourage good deeds. Thank You for giving us so much grace. Help us to be good stewards of faithful and goodness, whether in the administration of time, talents, possessions, or the gospel. Soothe our restless and troubled hearts, give us peace and wisdom so that we can effectively steward all that You have entrusted us with and glorify Your holy name.

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ we pray, amen

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27:1 The Israelite patriarchs, the captains, the centurions, and the rulers of the Israelites were divided into shifts, each of which was twenty-four thousand, and they were to go in and out of the king in turn.

27:2 The head of the first class of the first month of the first month was the son of Sabadiye , Jashuo . There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:3 He was the grandson of Fallers and the commander of the army in charge of the Lunar New Year .

27:4 February's squad leader is the Hashish duodai . There was also the adjutant Mikiro . There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:5 And the leader of the third class in the third month was Benaiah, the son of Jehoiadab the priest. There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:6 This Benaiah was a brave man of the thirty, ruler of the thirty. And he had in his class his son, Ammisaba.

27:7 The president of the fourth class in April was the brother of Joab, Asahel. He was succeeded by his son Zibadia. There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:8 The leader of the fifth class in May was the Isla-man Shan He. There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:9 The sixth class in June was headed by Ela , the son of Ekigi the Tigothian. There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:10                    The leader of the seventh class in July was Helis of the Babylons of Ephraim. There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:11                    the leader of the eighth class in august was sibicai, a sela husa . There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:12                    The leader of the ninth class in September was the Benjamin Arato Apis . There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:13                    The president of the 10th class in October was Maharai, a member of the Nidhara of the Shala ethnic group. There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:14                    The head of the eleventh class in November was Benaiah the Philadonite. There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:15                    the leader of the twelfth class in december was the nida of the ottoan nithar . There were 24,000 people in his class.

27:16                    The management of the Israelite tribe is recorded below. It is the son of Gili who is in charge of the faucator . And in charge of the Simemenes was Shephatiah the son of Magah.

27:17                    The ruler of the Levites was the son of Mother Christ, Hashabiah. It was Zadok who was in charge of the sons of Aron .

27:18                    The ruler of the Jews was one of David 's brother Elihu . And of the Issacharites was Omri, the son of Michael.

27:19                    In charge of the Zebulunites was Ishmaia, the son of Obadiah. And of the Naphtarites was Jerimoth, the son of Azreel.

27:20                    And in charge of the Ephraimites was Hozia, the son of Asaziah. And in charge of the half-tribe of Manasseh was Joel, the son of Pedaiah.

27:21                    of the half-tribe of Mamanasseh in Gilead, the son of Zecharia, Idus. The ruler of the men of Jaziel was Jaciel, the son of Abner.

27:22                    And it was Asalel the son of Jeroham. He was the head of the tribe of Israel.

27:23                    The Israelites were twenty years of age or less, and David did not remember their number, because Yahweh and Hohwa had promised that the Israelites would be as many as the stars in the sky.

27:24                   And the son of Zeruiah counted the numbers with his hands, and the wrath of Jehovah at that time came to the Israelites. Because of this , the number was not finished, and the number was not written in the book of the Great Avid.

27:25                   In charge of the treasury was Absmawi, the son of Aphro. In charge of the storehouses of the fields and towns was Jonathan, the son of Uziah.

27:26                   In charge of the land was Gilu's son, Ezri.

27:27                   In charge of the vineyards is the Lamar people. In charge of the vineyard cellars is the Sabdia de Vermee.

27:28                   In charge of the olive trees and mulberry trees in the plateau was the Gidelian Balhanan . In charge of the oil depot is Jo Ash.

27:29                   In charge of the herd of cattle in the sand is the people of the sand . In charge of the herd of cattle in the valley was the son of Ari , Shafa .

27:30                   In charge of the herd was Abil the Ishmarites. In charge of the herd was Jehidia the Meremonite. In charge of the flock was Jass the Hagar man.

27:31                   This is all for the king of the Great David to be in charge of the industry .

27:32                   avid's uncle took a single plot . This man is wise and a scribe. Jesuite, the son of Hammoni, was the teacher of the king's sons.

27:33                   Ahithophel was also a counsellor of the king. The Aquinian was the king's companion .

27:34                   After Ahithoph, Jehoiada, the son of Penaiiah, and Abiada, took him as a conspirator. Joab was the king's captain

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respective months. Finally, a list of David's brothers, captains of the army, and heads of the families is given.

In conclusion, this chapter describes the organization of King David's administration in his later years and gives a list of officials and managers at all levels who were responsible for state affairs.

Some important verses from 1 Chronicles 27:

1. "This chapter records the composition and administration of the armies and administrations of the Kingdom of Israel under King David." —1 Chronicles 27:1-34.
2. "This chapter describes in detail the formation, distribution, and responsibilities of the various armies and soldiers, as well as the administrative officers and responsible persons in various places." —1 Chronicles 27:1-34.
3. "Of these, Joab was in charge of King David's main army, Jehoiada was in charge of the priests and the Levitical army, and David's relatives and faithful servants were in charge of the king's house and the affairs of the kingdom." —1 Chronicles 27:1-34.
4. "This chapter demonstrates the strength and organization of David's kingdom, as well as the importance and attention that King David placed on management and leadership." —1 Chronicles 27:1-34.
5. In addition, this chapter shows God's grace and help in giving the valiant generals and soldiers of the kingdom of Israel and giving them victory and success in war and government. —1 Chronicles 27:1-34.

First Chronicles 27 records the various offices and responsible persons in Israel under King David's rule. This chapter lists the generals of the army, the officials who guarded the palace, the rulers of the king's household, and the managers of the fields, as well as the records of their monthly rotations.

From a theological perspective, 1 Chronicles 27 teaches some important ideas and implications:

God is the God of Order: The description of King David's administration of Israel in this chapter shows that God was a God who loved order and discipline. In the kingdom of God, everyone has their own responsibilities and roles, and He loves people to serve Him according to His will and plan.

The selection of leaders is God's will: In this chapter, it is mentioned that King David chose people for various positions, such as generals in the army and officials in guarding the royal palace. This shows that God has entrusted the selection of leaders to earthly kings, and that these selections are made under God's will and plan. Leaders should be godly and wise servants of God who lead the people to righteousness and to the glory of God.

Loyal and Responsible Service: Men in these positions are appointed as leaders and administrators of the nation, and their loyal and responsible service is important. This reminds us that in God's ministry, we should serve God faithfully and give Him all glory regardless of the position we are in.

Respect and support for the elderly: In this chapter, some of the older army generals are also mentioned. This shows that in the kingdom of God, we should respect and support the elderly, giving them the honor and status they deserve.

Overall, 1 Chronicles 27 teaches God as a God of order, the selection of leaders as God's will, faithful and responsible service, and respect and support for the elderly, through King David's arrangement of various positions in the country. These thoughts and meanings remind us that in the kingdom of God, we should act according to God's will, serve God faithfully and responsibly, respect and support the elderly, and build God's kingdom in unity with one another.