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Prepare the temple of our hearts:

2 Chronicles chapter 2

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2:6 Who can build a house for him if the heavens and the heavens in heaven are not sufficient for him to dwell in? Who am I, and can I build a temple for him? but to burn incense in front of him." "Heaven and heaven are not yet sufficient for him to dwell in," yet God wants men to work with him to build temples that are "surprisingly high." For God will use the temple as a sign of David's covenant and as a "house of prayer for all nations" on earth. And the work that God wants must be God's own preparation of materials; Whatever God wants, He gives us first. In

God's eyes, only those who come out of Christ and carry the nature of Christ's life are precious "gold, silver, and precious stones" (1 Corinthians 3:12); And everything that comes out of man, no matter how loud and beautiful it looks, is "grass, wood, and straw" in God's eyes. Those who serve God must first accept the salvation of the cross, so that God can first make "gold, silver, and precious stones" into love and growth in us, and then we can use this salvation to build up brothers and churches. The Lord Jesus told the Samaritans, "The hour is coming when you worship the Father, neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem." For God is a Spirit, great and beyond all things (John 4:21~24).

And Solomon was to offer burnt offerings every morning and evening, on the Sabbaths, on the New Moons, and at other feasts. What about the location of the temple today in our hearts, and our hearts worship the Lord many times a day? Do our mouths or hearts sing praises to Him? Do you meditate on God's Word? Is there a prayer to God? Is there a sanctification in the heart? If you are sanctified, you will no longer store up hatred and wrath

Through the expression of his request, Solomon magnified God's name at every level. Today, our bodies are the temple of the Holy Spirit, and if Solomon says that his work of wood and stone is not enough to contain Him, who are we? Solomon's construction of the temple also began with the Gentiles (v.17). While the exiles returned to rebuild the temple, God even used a foreign king to initiate it, Ezra 1:1-4. The temple is a shadow of the New Testament church, and in God's spiritual build-up, it includes Gentiles from the beginning to make the temple "a house of prayer for all nations." God's kingdom needs many talented people who will join God's kingdom's harvest field together in a humble and mature attitude of service to build the great cause of heaven. .

"And Solomon determined to build a house for the name of the LORD, and a house for his kingdom." As soon as he became king, he devoted his mind and mind to the construction of the temple. He has ambition, he has this ambition. Can we have dreams in God in our lives? Solomon was determined to fulfill his father's David's wish and become his destiny. We can be people with dreams, and we can also train children to be people with dreams.

Let's pray together:

Solomon's approach to dreaming, planning, and dedicating his efforts to You inspires us to do the same. With the same intention, we aspire to achieve great things for You this year, purposefully constructing a temple within our hearts.

Solomon's devotion influenced Hiram and served as a testimony. Likewise, may our joy and love reflect Your blessings to others, moving them to witness Your grace.

From this day forward, let us commit to diligently nurturing the temple of our soul, ensuring that You may dwell within us in peace. Help us to be true witnesses of Your love and glory.

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

2 Chronicles chapter 2

2:1 Solomon set out to build a temple in the name of Yahweh and a palace for his own kingdom.

2:2 So Solomon chose seventy thousand to carry, eighty thousand to dig stones on the mountain, and three thousand six hundred to oversee the work.

2:3 So Solomon sent to Hiram king of Tyre, and said, "Thou hast brought cedar wood to dwell in the house of David my father, and thou shalt do the same unto me."

2:4 And I will build a house for the name of Yahweh my God, and offer it to him every consecration, and burn incense in his presence, and set the showbread continually, and offer burnt offerings every morning and evening, on the Sabbath, and on the New Moon, and in the feasts of Yahweh our God. This is the eternal law of the Israelites.

2:5 The temple I am going to build is very great. For our God is greater, more than God.

2:6 For who can build a temple for him if the heavens and the heavens of heaven are not sufficient for him to dwell in? Who am I. Can a temple be built for him? Don't burn incense too much in front of him.

2:7 Now I beseech thee, send a skilful craftsman, who is skilled in gold, and silver, and brass, and iron, and purple, and scarlet, and blue, and skilled in carving, with the skilful workman that my father David prepared in Judah and Jerusalem.

2:8 Bring some cedar, pine, and sandalwood from Lebanon, and bring to me, for I know that your servant is good at cutting down the trees of Lebanon. My servants will also be with your servants.

2:9 In this way, you may prepare me a great deal of wood, for the temple I am going to build is surprisingly tall.

2:10 Thy servants cut down trees, and I will give them twenty thousand cors of wheat, twenty thousand cors of barley, twenty thousand bars of wine, and twenty thousand bars of oil.

2:11 And Hiram king of Tyre wrote to Solomon and said, "Because of his love for his people, Yahweh hath made thee king over them.

2:12 And again, Blessed be the God of Jehovah, Israel, who made heaven and earth. He gave King David a son of wisdom, that he might have the wisdom to build a temple for Jehovah, and a palace for his kingdom.

2:13 Now I have sent a man of skill and understanding, whom my father Hiram used,

2:14 Yes, the son of a woman from the tribe of Dan. His father was a Tyranite, and he was skilled in carving and inventing all kinds of things with gold, silver, bronze, iron, stone, wood, and purple, blue, and scarlet, and fine linen. Appoint this man to work with your skilful craftsmen and with the skilful craftsmen of your Father, my Lord Avid.

2:15 Wheat, barley, wine, and oil, of which my Lord spoke, may my Lord bring to his servants.

2:16 We will cut down trees from Liberonon, build them into rafts, and float them to Jopa as you need. You can transport from there to Jerusalem.

2:17 Solomon imitated his father, David and dwelt in Israel as a number of Gentiles in Israel, a hundred and fifty-three thousand, six hundred.

2:18 70,000 men carried materials, 80,000 people carved stones on the mountains, and 3,600 supervised the work.

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Book 2, chapter 2 of Book 2 of Chronicles deals primarily with King Solomon's preparations for the construction of Jehovah's temple in Jerusalem. Here are some important verses from this chapter:

One. "Solomon commanded the building of a temple for the name of the Lord and a royal palace for himself." —2 Chronicles 2:1.

Two. "The temple I am going to build will be great, because our God is greater than all other gods." (2 Chronicles 2:5)

Three. "He [Solomon] sent this message to Hiram king of Tyre: 'Give me cedar logs, as you did for David my father, and you sent cedar to build him a palace to live in.' —2 Chronicles 2:3.

Four. "I have sent you Hiram Abi, who is a man of great ability, whose mother is Dan and his father is Tyre. He was trained to work with gold and silver, bronze and iron, stone and wood, and purple, blue, and crimson yarn and fine linen. He is experienced in all kinds of engraving and can execute any design given to him. He will work with thy skilled labourers and with the labourers of my lord David thy father. —2 Chronicles 2:13-14.

Five. "After the census of his father, David, Solomon conducted a census of all foreigners residing in Israel; They were found to be 153,600 people. He assigned 70,000 of them as porters, 80,000 as stonemasons on the hills, and 3,600 foremen on them to keep the people working. —2 Chronicles 2:17-18.

These verses emphasize the importance of the temple that Solomon prepared for Yahweh, who asked King Hiram for materials and who used skilled and foreign laborers to build it.

2 Chronicles 2 focuses on Solomon's preparations for the construction of the temple in Jerusalem. The following is a reflection on this chapter:

Chronicles 2:2 delves into Solomon's extensive preparations for the construction of the temple, which would become one of the most important and revered structures in Israel's history. This chapter gives us insight into Solomon's dedication, his attention to detail, and his commitment to glorifying God through this monumental project.

Solomon recognized the enormity of the task at hand and acknowledged that the temple he intended to build for God was not just a human endeavor, but a sacred undertaking. He sought help from Hiram, king of Tyre, to obtain skilled workers and materials. This shows that Solomon was wise to seek support from those who had the expertise and resources, as he wanted to ensure that the temple was built with the highest skill and craftsmanship.

In his message to Hiram, Solomon emphasized the grandeur and significance of the temple, emphasizing that it would be a place to offer sacrifices to God, seek His presence, and fulfill the covenant he had made with David. This reveals Solomon's deep reverence for God and his commitment to upholding his father's religious traditions and promises.

In addition, Solomon acknowledges that no earthly structure can truly contain the greatness of God. He acknowledged the superiority of God over any dwelling place and acknowledged the temple as a symbol of His presence among the people. This humble recognition reminds us that while physical structures can have symbolic value and serve as gathering places for worship, God's true dwelling place is in the hearts of His people.

In addition to the materials and resources he received from Hiram, Solomon recruited a large number of workers from within Israel to build the temple. He appoints skilled craftsmen, including masons, carpenters, and craftsmen, ensuring that every detail is meticulously cared for. This meticulousness demonstrates Solomon's commitment to excellence and his desire to glorify God with the finest craftsmanship and materials.

Chronicles 2:2 reminds us of the importance of reverence, devotion, and attention to detail as we serve God. It encourages us to approach our own efforts with a similar commitment, seeking to provide our greatest efforts and resources to glorify God and accomplish His will. Whether in building material structures, engaging in ministry, or serving others, we are called to give glory to God with awe and desire.

Overall, 2 Chronicles chapter 2 shows Solomon's dedication and preparation for the construction of the temple. It inspires us to reflect on our own commitment to God's work and reminds us of the importance of giving our best and resources for His glory. Chapter 2 is an account of King Solomon's preparations for the construction of the temple, and here are some of the important passages:

1. "And Solomon determined that he should build a house for the name of the Lord and a house for his kingdom." (2 Chronicles 2:1)- This verse introduces the intentions of King Solomon, who decided to build a temple for God, as well as a palace for his own use.
2. "Behold, I will build a house for the name of the LORD, and I will offer it to him, and I will burn good incense before him, and I will set a standing bread before him, and so shall I do it every morning and evening, and on the Sabbath day, and on the New Moon, and in the feasts that the LORD our God has ordained. This is the everlasting ordinance of the Israelites. (2 Chronicles 2:4-5)- This verse describes King Solomon's purpose in building the temple, where he was to offer incense and bread as a sign of respect to God and also to keep the Israelites forever remembering the significance of this temple.
3. "King Solomon sent to Hiram king of Tyre to Tyre and said, "Do the same with me that you have built a house for David my father with cedar wood." (2 Chronicles 2:3)- This verse describes a situation in which King Solomon asked King Hiram of Tyre for building materials, including cedar and pine, among others.
4. "I have sent men of the Spirit of wisdom to work with your servants. As for what thou hast said, that thou shalt cut down trees for thy servants, and carry them to the sea, and I will send men to make rafts on the sea, and carry them on float to the place which thou hast appointed me, and there thou shalt take them. (2 Chronicles 2:12-14)- This verse describes Hiram's response to King Solomon's

request that he agree to provide Solomon with the necessary building materials and send his own workers to help complete the works.

5. "Solomon used seventy thousand men to carry the materials, and eighty thousand to hew stones on the mountain. And there were three thousand three hundred overseers sent by Solomon. (2 Chronicles 2:17)- This verse describes King Solomon's mobilization of a large amount of labor to build the temple, including 70,000 men to transport timber

The second chapter of 2 Chronicles is a section of the Bible that continues to record the deeds of dynasties and prophets in Israel's history. In the second chapter, the genealogies of the sons of King David, especially King Solomon, are mainly enumerated, as well as by the Levites and priests.

Since the second chapter of 2 Chronicles is primarily a record of genealogies and descendants, there is no clear theological central idea. However, the entire book of 2 Chronicles embodies a number of theological themes and takeaways:

God's Promises and Faithfulness: The entire book of 2 Chronicles records God's promises to King David and his descendants. God's promise that David's throne would last forever was fulfilled in King Solomon and his descendants. This demonstrates God's faithfulness and faithfulness to His promises.

Historical Continuity: The book 2 Chronicles presents the continuity and development of Israel's history through genealogical records and historical events. God has quietly acted in history, preserving His people and fulfilling His plan.

Loyalty vs. Rebellion: The book 2 Chronicles records not only God's promises to faithful servants, but also some of the rebellions and rebellions of the kings and people of Israel. This contrast highlights the consequences of loyalty and rebellion, as well as God's joy and reward for obedience and loyalty.

God's sovereignty and sovereignty: The book 2 Chronicles emphasizes God's sovereignty and sovereignty, his guidance and intervention in history. He has done a profound role in the rise and fall of the world and the country.

Although 2 Chronicles Chapter 2 is primarily a genealogical account, the entire book deals with these themes theologically. This book emphasizes God's promises, faithfulness, historical continuity, and responses to loyalty and rebellion. Through these accounts, we can gain a deeper understanding of God's sovereignty and sovereignty, His work throughout history, and His guidance to the people. At the same time, we also see the importance of loyalty and trust in God, as well as God's joy and reward for those who obey His will.