

Because of You Offering

Our Mission: To take as many people to Heaven as we can before we die. Period.

1. Because of you, the resources will be given to build God's House.

I had it in my heart to build a house.. [for]..the Lord... **1 Chronicles 28:2a NIV**

With all my resources I have provided for the temple of my God—gold for the gold..silver...bronze...iron..wood...onyx...stones of various colors, and all kinds of fine stone and marble—all of these in large quantities. **1 Chronicles 29:2-5a NLT**

Kings of this world:

a. Get a vision early in life.

He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

“And on His robe and on His thigh, He has a name written, ‘KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.’” **Revelation 19:16 NIV**

b. Have an early victory often coupled with an early betrayal.

David's men broke the line to get him water in the middle of the war.

“So the three mighty warriors broke through the Philistine lines, drew water from the well near the gate of Bethlehem and carried it back to David. But he refused to drink it; instead, he poured it out before the LORD.” **2 Samuel 23:16 NIV**

c. Everyone is on their payroll.

David built his army out of a bunch of misfits.

“All those who were in distress or in debt or discontented gathered around him, and he became their commander. About four hundred men were with him.” **1 Samuel 2:22 NIV**

d. They value loyalty over talent.

David did not go to war and ended up in sin.

“In the spring of the year, when kings normally go out to war, David sent Joab and the Israelite army to fight the Ammonites. They destroyed the Ammonite army and

laid siege to the city of Rabbah. However, David stayed behind in Jerusalem. Late one afternoon, after his midday rest, David got out of bed and was walking on the roof of the palace. As he looked out over the city, he noticed a woman of unusual beauty taking a bath. He sent someone to find out who she was, and he was told, “She is Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite.” Then David sent messengers to get her; and when she came to the palace, he slept with her.” **2**

Samuel 11:1-4 NLT

e. They don’t do well without a goal.

David set up Solomon to build the temple.

“Yet the LORD, the God of Israel, chose me from my whole family to be king over Israel forever. He chose Judah as leader, and from the tribe of Judah he chose my family, and from my father’s sons he was pleased to make me king over all Israel. Of all my sons—and the LORD has given me many—he has chosen my son Solomon to sit on the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel. He said to me: ‘Solomon your son is the one who will build my house and my courts, for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his father. I will establish his kingdom forever if he is unswerving in carrying out my commands and laws, as is being done at this time.’” **1**

Chronicles 28: 4-7

f. Irony is they give the most to the temple while often being there the least.

Early anointing

“So he asked Jesse, ‘Are these all the sons you have?’ ‘There is still the youngest,’ Jesse answered. ‘He is tending the sheep.’ Samuel said, ‘Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives.’ So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features. Then the LORD said, ‘Rise and anoint him; this is the one.’ So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the LORD came powerfully upon David. Samuel then went to Ramah.” **1 Samuel 16:11-13**

g. The last half of their career is shifted from earning more to setting up their kids.

Early victory coupled with an early betrayal

David replied to the Philistine, “You come to me with sword, spear, and javelin, but I come to you in the name of the LORD of Heaven’s Armies—the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. Today the LORD will conquer you, and I will kill you and cut off your head. And then I will give the dead bodies of your men to the birds

and wild animals, and the whole world will know that there is a God in Israel! And everyone assembled here will know that the LORD rescues his people, but not with sword and spear. This is the LORD's battle, and he will give you to us!"

As Goliath moved closer to attack, David quickly ran out to meet him. Reaching into his shepherd's bag and taking out a stone, he hurled it with his sling and hit the Philistine in the forehead. The stone sank in, and Goliath stumbled and fell face down on the ground.

So David triumphed over the Philistine with only a sling and a stone, for he had no sword. Then David ran over and pulled Goliath's sword from its sheath. David used it to kill him and cut off his head. **1 Samuel 17: 45-51 NIV**

h. They find purpose in preparing their greatest gift, year after year, topping themselves as there is no one left to compete with.

David's brothers betrayed him.

They repeated to him what they had been saying and told him, "This is what will be done for the man who kills him." When Eliab, David's oldest brother, heard him speaking with the men, he burned with anger at him and asked, "Why have you come down here? And with whom did you leave those few sheep in the wilderness? I know how conceited you are and how wicked your heart is; you came down only to watch the battle." **1 Samuel 17:27-28 NIV**

2. Giving sets you apart.

"Now, who is willing to consecrate themselves to the Lord today?" Then the leaders of families, the officers of the tribes of Israel, the commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds, and the officials in charge of the king's work gave willingly. **1 Chronicles 29:5b-6 NIV**

3. Givers recognize that all they have comes from God.

"But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand...Our days on earth are like a shadow, without hope." **1 Chronicles 29:14-16 NIV**

4. Giving is an act of worship and helps fulfill your purpose.

Then David said to the whole assembly, “Praise the Lord your God.” So they all praised the Lord, the God of their fathers; they bowed down, prostrating themselves before the Lord and the king. **1 Chronicles 29:20**

“Now when David had served God’s purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; he was buried with his ancestors...” **Acts 13:36 NIV**

Message Notes: The Holy Bible, New International Version, New International Reader’s Version, New Living Translation. Bible Knowledge Commentary.