

Small Group Material - David 6

David: creating a legacy

1 Chronicles 28

Welcome: (10 mins) If you could leave a legacy what would it be? (Be imaginative!) OR whose legacy do you find inspiring and amazing?

Worship: (10 mins) Read David's prayer together in 1 Chronicles 29:10-13. Pray into this as a group.

Word: (35 mins) 1 Chronicles 28

Italics – short zoomers (15/20mins) Textbox questions are a short reflection for groups short on time (5/10mins) but are also in the main study.

Go back to 2 Sam 7:8-12 and then read 1 Ch V.2-8 - how do we see God's promises fulfilled here? What does this tell us about David (bearing in mind he needed to be obedient to God in order to have a legacy) and God?

V.3 After a long time as King, how could David have felt when God did not will him to build the temple? Read on into V.4 – how does he respond?

V. 4 -6 How does David give God the glory here?

V. 6-7 Is it an important part of David's legacy that Solomon, his son, was his heir? (There has been no hereditary monarch until now.)

V. 9 *Why do you think David tells Solomon to "know the lord" before he tells him to "serve" him?*

Why is verse 9 both a warning and an encouragement to Solomon, and to us now?

V. 9-11 (12-18 – the details) *Are the plans David outlines his own (9,19)? What does the Chronicler make clear here about our own plans?*

*How often do we make our own plans and **then** pray about them? Or hope that our plans align with God's plans?*

What can we learn from David's response earlier in the passage about seeking God's will first and foremost?

V20-21 – *what confidence can we glean from these final verses? What sense is there that God had it all in hand? That he had gone before Solomon?*

Building a temple is a daunting task, but David has no doubt that God will be with Solomon and the work will be complete. Is there an application here for us, when a task seems too great or too difficult?

David was a great leader in his time, and left a great legacy, but why is God the forever King?

Witness: (15 mins)

Pray for our building project, pray for God's plans to be clear to all those making decisions. Pray for strength and courage for those undertaking the work.

Pray for our mission partner Christians Against Poverty:

- For the Life Skills delivery on zoom.
- For staff workload
- For Coenraad's recovery.
- For people to come forward NOW for help before their debt gets worse
- For clients in debt from illness, abuse and loss of jobs
- For clients to get their paperwork together and to play their part in the process.
- For lives to be changed through becoming debt free.
- For the befrienders to be bold in their faith and for those working with CAP to give their life to Jesus.
- Wisdom for all those working with and walking alongside vulnerable people.