

***Dealing With
A
Good Idea***

1 Chronicles 17:1-12

Background

- A. David confirmed king of Israel (1 Chronicles 12)**
- B. David consults and attempts to bring the Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem – Uzza dies (1 Chronicles 13)**
- C. David builds his palace – Philistines defeated (1 Chronicles 14)**
- D. David successfully brings the Ark of The Covenant to Jerusalem (1 Chronicles 15-16)**
- E. David has a good idea**

1 Chronicles 17:1-12

1 Now it came to pass, as David sat in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, Lo, I dwell in an house of cedars, but the ark of the covenant of the LORD remaineth under curtains.

2 Then Nathan said unto David, Do all that is in thine heart; for God is with thee.

3 And it came to pass the same night, that the word of God came to Nathan, saying,

4 Go and tell David my servant, Thus saith the LORD, Thou shalt not build me an house to dwell in:

1 Chronicles 17:1-12 - continued

5 For I have not dwelt in an house since the day that I brought up Israel unto this day; but have gone from tent to tent, and from one tabernacle to another.

6 Wheresoever I have walked with all Israel, spake I a word to any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people, saying, Why have ye not built me an house of cedars?

7 Now therefore thus shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, even from following the sheep, that thou shouldest be ruler over my people Israel:

1 Chronicles 17:1-12 - continued

8 And I have been with thee whithersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine enemies from before thee, and have made thee a name like the name of the great men that are in the earth.

9 Also I will ordain a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, and they shall dwell in their place, and shall be moved no more; neither shall the children of wickedness waste them any more, as at the beginning,

1 Chronicles 17:1-12 - continued

10 And since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel. Moreover I will subdue all thine enemies. Furthermore I tell thee that the LORD will build thee an house.

11 And it shall come to pass, when thy days be expired that thou must go to be with thy fathers, that I will raise up thy seed after thee, which shall be of thy sons; and I will establish his kingdom.

12 He shall build me an house, and I will stablish his throne for ever.

I. You Should Get Good Ideas (v 1)

A. When good things happen

Deuteronomy 6:18

But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

B. When surrounded by good people

I. You Should Get Good Ideas (v 1)

C. When God is the focus of your thoughts

Deuteronomy 6:7

**And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children,
and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house,
and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou
liest down, and when thou risest up.**

Psalms 37:4

**Delight thyself also in the LORD: and he shall give thee
the desires of thine heart.**

II. You Should Support The Good Ideas (v 2)

A. Of those following God

Psalm 125:4

Do good, O LORD, unto those that be good, and to them that are upright in their hearts.

II. You Should Support The Good Ideas (v 2)

B. Do provoke them to action

1 Timothy 6:17-19

17 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

18 That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate;

19 Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

II. You Should Support The Good Ideas (v 2)

C. Do not prevent the effort

Ezra 4:4

Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building,

III. Allow God To Change Good Ideas (vv 3-12)

A. When it conflicts with God's will (vv 3-4)

B. When it conflicts with God's Word (vv 5-12)

1. Not the right time (5-6)

2. Not the right person (7-12)

1 Chronicles 22:8

But the word of the LORD came to me, saying, Thou hast shed blood abundantly, and hast made great wars: thou shalt not build an house unto my name, because thou hast shed much blood upon the earth in my sight.

C. Avoid the pride of ownership

IV. Support God's Ideas

A. Agree with God ideas

1 Chronicles 17:23

Therefore now, LORD, let the thing that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant and concerning his house be established for ever, and do as thou hast said.

IV. Support God's Ideas

B. Assist to bring the God's ideas to pass

1. David acquired workers

1 Chronicles 22:2

And David commanded to gather together the strangers that were in the land of Israel; and he set masons to hew wrought stones to build the house of God.

IV. Support God's Idea

B. Assist to bring the God's ideas to pass - continued

2. David acquired wealth

1 Chronicles 22:14

Now, behold, in my trouble I have prepared for the house of the LORD an hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver; and of brass and iron without weight; for it is in abundance: timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou mayest add thereto.

IV. Support God's Idea

B. Assist to bring the God's ideas to pass - continued

3. David advised Solomon

1 Chronicles 22:6

Then he called for Solomon his son, and charged him to build an house for the LORD God of Israel.

IV. Support God's Idea

B. Assist to bring the God's idea to pass - continued

3. David advised Solomon

1 Chronicles 28:10-11

10 Take heed now; for the LORD hath chosen thee to build an house for the sanctuary: be strong, and do it.

11 Then David gave to Solomon his son the pattern of the porch, and of the houses thereof, and of the treasuries thereof, and of the upper chambers thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof, and of the place of the mercy seat,

IV. Support God's Idea

B. Assist to bring the God's idea to pass - continued

4. David encouraged Solomon

1 Chronicles 28:20

And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the LORD God, even my God, will be with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the LORD.

How Do You Deal With Good Ideas?

**God May Be Trying To Tell Us
Something**