

*“Tear this temple down and I will rebuild it in three days.”*

And at the end of his life what did he get, did he get the presence of God?

“My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?”

**2 Take Aways:**

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**Don't forget this week:**

**Today:**

**Ticket sales for Christmas dinner on Friday December 9<sup>th</sup>  
Last Sunday to pick up an Angel Tree child**

**Monday:**

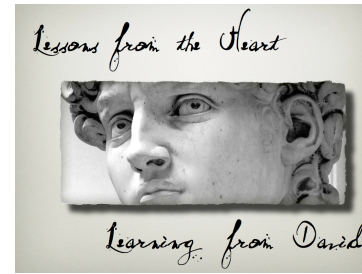
**Christmas Decorations for Sierra Community Church- 9-4pm**

**Thursday:**

**Women's Christmas Event -7-9pm**

**Saturday:**

**Children's Christmas Event 9am-Noon**



**Part 21:  
Putting God's Presence  
Right Where It Belongs**

Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you first gave us! 1 Chronicles 29:14

**David Prepares Israel For His Death And Leadership Change.**

“My son Solomon, whom God has clearly chosen as the next king of Israel, is still young and inexperienced. 1 Chronicles 29:1

**The Problem:**

David has been the human bridge to God for the nation of Israel.

**The Solution:**

I had it in my heart to build a house as a place of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, ... 1 Chronicles 28:2

**The Ark of the Covenant is a sign of the**

Here's the point you read the history of the Ark, you see some people touch it they die others touch it nothing happens.

Walls fall down one day, great victory; another day great defeat and loss of life. **It doesn't seem to make any sense?**

YES IT DOES. Here's what it means.

**God's presence is never tied to any**

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_

**God's presence cannot be conjured by your \_\_\_\_\_**

If God is really uncontrollable, if God is completely untamed, and sovereign, does that mean if we hope to gain the presence of God in our life there's nothing we can do?

Now, who is willing to consecrate themselves to the LORD today?"  
1 Chronicles 29:5

And give my son Solomon the wholehearted devotion to keep your commands, statutes and decrees  
1 Chronicles 29:19

**Israel failed whenever they used the Ark as a way to control God's actions. Do you know what that type of thinking is?**

Seeking God's power without giving \_\_\_\_\_

If God is uncontrollable (He is) then there's nothing I can do to invite his presence is there?

**Yes there is, you can stop trying to \_\_\_\_\_**  
"O Lord, the God of our ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, make your people always want to obey you. See to it that their love for you never changes."  
1 Chronicles 29:18

I'll serve you if you send me to the college of my choice,  
I'll love you if you find me a better job.  
I'll devote myself to you if you get me this house.

**Whatever is on the other side of the "IF" that's your**

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Here's another way to put this:

**We're called to serve God \_\_\_\_\_**

Unless you say I'm going serve you without condition, your saying I don't want you I want the things you can bring me.

How did Solomon fair based upon David's request?  
And give my son Solomon the wholehearted devotion to keep your commands, statutes and decrees  
1 Chronicles 29:19

He \_\_\_\_\_ just as

David \_\_\_\_\_ just as the

Nation \_\_\_\_\_.

The "veiled promise":  
I will establish his kingdom forever ... 1 Chronicles 28:7a