



Part Two:
Building the House of the LORD

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In today's message, we'll look at how King Solomon laid the foundations, pursued the plans, & completed the process for founding, finishing, & furnishing a Temple dedicated to God. Solomon's wise worship in these things also lays a foundation for our own faithful dedication to God today.

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Furnishing the House of God

1. DEDICATED DAYS: Founding | 1 Kg 5 / 2 Ch 2

1 Kings 5:1-5

¹ When Hiram king of Tyre heard that Solomon had been anointed king to succeed his father David, he sent... envoys to Solomon, because he had always been on friendly terms with David. ² Solomon sent back this message.... ³ "You know that because of the wars waged against my father...from all sides, he could not build a temple for... God until the LORD put his enemies under his feet. ⁴ But now the LORD my God has given me rest on every side, & there is no adversary or disaster. ⁵ **I intend, therefore, to build a temple for the Name of the LORD my God, as the LORD told my father David, when He said, 'Your son whom I will put on the throne in your place will build the temple for My Name.'**

1. DEDICATED DAYS: Founding | 1 Kg 5 / 2 Ch 2

2 Chronicles 2:1-10

¹ [So] Solomon gave orders to build a temple for the Name of the LORD & a royal palace for himself. ² He conscripted 70,000 men as carriers & 80,000 as stonecutters in the hills & 3,600 as foremen over them. ³ Solomon sent this message to Hiram king of Tyre: "Send me cedar logs as you did for my father David... to build a palace to live in. ⁴ Now I am about to build a temple for the Name of the LORD my God & **to dedicate it to Him** for burning fragrant incense before Him, for setting out the consecrated bread regularly [**DAILY**], & for making burnt offerings every morning & evening [**HOURS**] & on the Sabbaths [**WEEKLY**], at the New Moons [**MONTHLY**] & at the appointed festivals [**SEASONALLY, ANNUALLY**] of the LORD our God. This is a lasting ordinance for Israel [**ONGOINGLY**].

1. DEDICATED DAYS: Founding | 1 Kg 5 / 2 Ch 2

2 Chronicles 2:1-10

⁵ The temple I am going to build will be great, because our God is greater than all other gods. ⁶ **But who is able to build a temple for Him, since... even the highest heavens, cannot contain Him? Who then am I to build a temple for Him, except as a place to burn sacrifices before Him?**

⁷ Send me, therefore, a man skilled to work in [fine materials] & experienced in the art of engraving, to work [here] with my skilled workers, *whom my father David provided*. ⁸ Send me also cedar, juniper & algum logs from Lebanon, for I know that your servants are skilled in cutting timber there. My servants will work with yours ⁹ to provide me with plenty of lumber, because **the temple I build must be large & magnificent**. ¹⁰ I will give your... woodsmen [thousands of tons of provisions of] ground wheat...barley...wine &...olive oil."

1. DEDICATED DAYS: Founding | 1 Kg 5 / 2 Ch 2

1 Kings 5:7-12

⁷ When Hiram heard Solomon's message, he was greatly pleased & said, "**Praise be to the LORD today, for He has given David a wise son to rule over this great nation.**" ⁸ So Hiram sent word to Solomon: "I have received the message you sent me & will do all you want....⁹ And you are to grant my wish by providing food for my royal household." ¹⁰ In this way Hiram kept Solomon supplied with all the cedar & juniper logs he wanted, ¹¹ & Solomon gave Hiram twenty thousand cors of wheat as food for his household, in addition to twenty thousand baths of pressed olive oil. Solomon continued to do this for Hiram year after year. ¹² **The LORD gave Solomon wisdom, just as He had promised him. There were peaceful relations between Hiram & Solomon, and the two of them made a treaty.**

2. DEDICATED WAYS: Finishing | 1 Kg 6 / 2 Ch 3

1 Kings 6:1-9 - THE HOUSE IMMANUEL

¹ In the four hundred & eightieth [*LXX*: fortieth] year after the Israelites came out of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel [*APPROX. 960 BC*], in the... second month, he began to build the temple of the LORD.... ⁷ In building the temple, **only blocks dressed at the quarry were used**, & no hammer, chisel or any other iron tool was heard at the temple site while it was being built [*SEE Ex 20:25, "If you make an altar of stones for Me, do not build it with dressed stones, for you will defile it if you use a tool on it;" CF. DT 27:5-6*].

⁹ **So he built the temple and completed it**, roofing it with beams & cedar....

2. DEDICATED WAYS: Finishing | 1 Kg 6 / 2 Ch 3

2 Chronicles 3:1-3 - ON THE THRESHING FLOOR

¹ Then Solomon began to build the temple of the LORD in Jerusalem **on Mount Moriah** [CF. GEN 22], **where the LORD had appeared to his father David**. It was **on the threshing floor** of Araunah the Jebusite, the place provided by David [2 SAM 24; 1 CH 21]. ² He began building on the second day of the second month in the fourth year of his reign. ³ The foundation Solomon laid for building the temple of God was [about ninety feet] long and [about twenty feet]....⁶ He adorned the temple with **precious stones [&] gold** of Parvaim....¹⁰ For the Most Holy Place he made a pair of sculptured cherubim and overlaid them with gold.

2. DEDICATED WAYS: Finishing | 1 Kg 6 / 2 Ch 3

2 Chronicles 3:17 - BETWEEN THE PILLARS

¹⁷ [Solomon] erected **the pillars in the front of the temple**, one to the south & one to the north. The one to the south he named **Jakin** [*PROBABLY: "He Establishes"*] & the one to the north **Boaz** [*PROBABLY: "In Him Is Strength"*].

2. DEDICATED WAYS: Finishing | 1 Kg 6 / 2 Ch 3

1 Kings 6:11-38 - THE HOUSE IMMANUEL

¹¹ The word of the LORD came to Solomon: ¹² "As for this temple you are building, **if you follow My decrees, observe My laws and keep all My commands & obey them, I will fulfill through you the promise I gave to David your father.** ¹³ **And I will live among the Israelites & will not abandon My people Israel.**"

¹⁴ So Solomon built the temple & completed it. ... ¹⁹ He prepared the inner sanctuary within the temple to set the Ark of the Covenant...there.... ³⁷ **The foundation...was laid in the fourth year, in the month of Ziv.** ³⁸ **In the eleventh year in the...eighth month, the temple was finished** in all its details according to its specifications. **He had spent seven years building it.**

3. DEDICATED THINGS: Furnishing | 1 Kg 7 / 2 Ch 4

1 Kings 7:1-12 - Solomon's Royal Palace Complex

¹ It took Solomon thirteen years, however, to complete the construction of his palace. ²⁻¹² He built:

- the **Palace of the Forest of Lebanon**
- the throne hall, the **Hall of Justice**, where he was to judge
- the **palace in which he was to live**, set farther back
- a **palace like this hall for his wife**, Pharaoh's daughter
- the **great courtyard**
- the **inner courtyard of the LORD's temple** with its **portico**

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1 Kings 7:13-50 - The Temple Furnishings

¹³ King Solomon sent to Tyre & brought **Huram**, ¹⁴ **whose mother was a widow from the tribe of Naphtali & whose father was from Tyre & a skilled craftsman in bronze. Huram was filled with wisdom**, with understanding & with knowledge to do **all kinds of bronze work.**

THESE FURNISHINGS INCLUDED:

- ***Broze Pillars & Assorted Fine Decorative Arts***
- ***Bronze Sea of Cast Metal Atop 12 Sculpted Bronze Bulls***
- ***Bronze Stands, Engraved Panels, & Basins***
- ***Pots, Shovels, & Bowls for Performing the Temple Rites***

3. DEDICATED THINGS: Furnishing | 1 Kg 7 / 2 Ch 4

2 Chronicles 4:18-22 - The Temple Furnishings

¹⁸ All these things that Solomon made **amounted to so much that the weight of the bronze could not be calculated.**

¹⁹ Solomon **also made all the furnishings that were in God's temple:** the golden **altar**; the **tables** on which was the Bread of the Presence; ²⁰ the **lampstands** of pure gold with their **lamps...** ²¹ the gold **floral work** and **lamps & tongs** (they were solid gold); ²² the pure **gold wick trimmers, sprinkling bowls, dishes & censers**; and the **gold doors of the temple:** the **inner doors** to the Most Holy Place and the **doors of the main hall.**

3. DEDICATED THINGS: Furnishing | 1 Kg 7 / 2 Ch 4

1 Kings 7:51 - The Temple Furnishings

⁵¹ When all the work King Solomon had done for the temple of the LORD was **finished, he brought in the things his father David had dedicated—the silver and gold and the furnishings**—and he **placed them in the treasuries of the LORD's** temple.

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Worship God with your time, talent, & treasure.

2. **Dedicated Ways**

1 Kings 6 | 2 Chronicles 3

Worship God in raw humility & honest need.

3. **Dedicated Things**

1 Kings 7 | 2 Chronicles 4

Worship God with all you have & all you are.