

DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

09-24-2023 // WEEK 38 NOTES

1 Chronicles 11 - 1 Chronicles 27

As you journey through **1 Chronicles** remember that much of it is a repeating of **2 Samuel** and **1 and 2 Kings**. Yet, Kings shows Israel's history from man's perspective. Chronicles shows Israel's history from God's perspective.

The two great themes of **1 Chronicles** are:

1. King David and the covenant continuing through his lineage
2. The building of the Temple by David and Solomon as the place of worship for God's people

The chapters you have read this past week encompass those two great themes: King David coming to the throne. The bringing of the ark to Jerusalem. God's covenant with David. All the victories he experienced over his enemies. Even the punishment for taking the census (something God told him not to do, thus showing David's temptation by Satan to depend on numbers and military might instead of the Lord), the punishment of the pestilence, and the purchasing of Ornan's property which became the Temple Mount where the Temple was eventually constructed. **God uses everything for our good and his glory!** Even David's selfish ambition became the Temple site!

Several chapters in **1 Chronicles** have to do with the divisions of towns, military leaders, and the Levites. One of the most beautiful chapters in the Bible is **1 Chronicles 29**. It is the collection of offerings to build the Temple. Not only does it show David's and the people's generosity, but David's prayer starting in **verse 10** is one of the most beautiful in all the Bible. I actually pray it personally at times. It expresses God's sovereignty and help for all of his people in times of need.

Keep reading. I hope these overviews help. God's enormous grace to you all.

David