

Sermon Discussion Questions: November 2, 2025 Transferring God's Blueprints

Questions marked with a **P** are primary to the sermon. If you are not planning on answering all the questions, answer these first.

Lord's Supper

1. P 1 Corinthians 11:26 emphasizes the importance of proclaiming the Lord's <u>death</u> (not his resurrection) until he comes. In the first chapter of Corinthians, the apostle Paul emphasizes the importance of preaching Christ <u>crucified</u>. An unbeliever might find that emphasis on Jesus' death morbid. Why is it important?

Call to Worship: Psalm 96:1-9

- 2. P How does this passage relate to the main points of the sermon?
- 3. Verse 4 says God should be feared. Verse 9 says to tremble before him. That would imply that "fear" does not only mean "reverence". It also means awareness of the possibility of something bad happening. As saved believers, should we still fear God in that latter sense?

Sermon: 1 Chronicles 28-29

I. The Sovereign Plan of God – Chapter 28:1-8, 11-19

- 4. David makes it clear in these verses that he understood and accepted that he was not to build the temple. However, he had the privilege of providing construction materials and architectural design for the temple.
 - a. Do we see other examples in scripture of one person preparing and enabling so that another may bring to fruition?
 - b. P Can you derive a scriptural principle from this process?
- 5. "I planned each charted course / Each careful step along the byway / And more, much more than this / I did it my way." Frank Sinatra's philosophy differed radically from what David expresses in verse 19, and what the Bible expresses overall. Yet Frankie's song is beautiful, and the philosophy expressed in it is enticing. When wrong ideas are enticing, it's often because there is an element of truth in them. What is the element of truth in "My Way", and how is it a distortion of the complete truth, understood by King David, about knowing and submitting to God's will?

- 6. P How might you use verses 11 to 19 to disabuse someone of the belief that Jesus saved us (the big thing), and now we can, regarding little things, cheerfully indulge our appetites and desires?
- 7. Streaming services, professional sports, and soft serve ice cream were not around when scripture was being written. Consequently, scripture does not address the use of these services and products. **True / False** (circle one). Defend your answer with scripture.
- 8. God's promise (through David) in verse 9 sounds conditional. His promise in verse 20 sounds unconditional. Are these verses in conflict?

II. The Willing Provision of God - 1 Chronicles 29:1-9

- 9. P State whether you believe tithing is a <u>mandate</u>, <u>guideline</u>, or <u>neither</u> for New Testament believers. Support your belief in the context of the principles expressed in this sermon, and other scriptural principles.
- 10. P If you were endeavoring to console someone who had a serious problem: Physical suffering, heavy debt, or severe family estrangement, would you reference Isaiah 55:8-9? If you answered "yes", what would be the context?
- 11. God calls upon all of us to walk by faith, however, he did leave us ______.
- 12. P Share one way you were your behavior changed after your salvation.
- 13. Any good plan, whether secular or spiritual, requires that people and resources are identified. How did King David set the proper example for his fellow Israelis?

Prayer Points:

- Ask God to search our hearts and give us a "whole heart and a willing mind" to know Him and serve Him authentically.
- Pray for a spirit of joyful, sacrificial generosity, that we might set apart ourselves and our resources to God's work in the church and the world.
- Pray that in all we do, we would confess our total dependence on God and live for His glory alone.