

# Local Church Offering

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It must have been a glorious day—yet uncomfortable. David had passionately planned to build a house for the Lord. He was able to bring the Ark of the Covenant to the city of David, but along the pilgrimage there were several human losses. However, God told David that he could not build a temple because he was a warrior and shed much blood. Instead, his son Solomon would build it. David made all the preparations, gathered the whole assembly, and led the way with overwhelming generosity. “I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house, my own special treasure of gold and silver” (1 Chron. 28:3). Next, David made an appeal to the leaders, who responded with a greater free will offering. The people later responded by giving wholeheartedly.

What followed was a spontaneous worship service that reflected David’s theology of stewardship. “Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty; for all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head over all.... For all things come from You, and of Your own we have given You. For we are aliens and pilgrims before You, as were all our fathers; our days on earth are as a shadow, and without hope” (1 Chron. 29:11–15).

## **Appeal**

What would happen in this church if believers would embrace David’s worldview of stewardship as “managers for God’s glory”? How would your personal finances be handled? How would outrageous generosity transform your local ministry? Our offering today will support our local Church budget. May your generosity today be blessed greatly for God’s glory.

## **Prayer**

Lord, your generosity is abundant. Thank you for all the blessings we’ve received. Amen.