

“Stuff”

Whose “Stuff” Is It?

I. Introduction

- A. I Chron. 29:2 (NLT) *“Using every resource at my command, I have gathered as much as I could for building the Temple of my God. Now there is enough gold, silver, bronze, iron, and wood, as well as great quantities of onyx, other precious stones, costly jewels, and all kinds of fine stone and marble.”*
- B. I Chron. 29:3 (NLT) *“And now, because of my devotion to the Temple of my God, I am giving all of my own private treasures of gold and silver to help in the construction. This is in addition to the building materials I have already collected for his holy Temple.”*
- C. I Chron. 29:5b (NLT) *“Now then, who will follow my example and give offerings to the LORD today?”*
- D. I Chron. 29:6 (NLT) *Then the family leaders, the leaders of the tribes of Israel, the generals and captains of the army, and the king’s administrative officers all gave willingly.*
- E. I Chron. 29:9 (NLT) *The people rejoiced over the offerings, for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the LORD, and King David was filled with joy.*
- F. I Chron. 29:17 (NLT) *“I know, my God, that you examine our hearts and rejoice when you find integrity there. You know I have done all this with good motives, and I have watched your people offer their gifts willingly and joyously.”*
- G. II Cor. 9:7c (NLT) *“For God loves a person who gives cheerfully.”*
- H. I Chron. 29:10-11 (NLT) ¹⁰*“O LORD, the God of our ancestor Israel, may you be praised forever and ever! ¹¹Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. Everything in the heavens and on earth is yours, O LORD, and this is your kingdom. We adore you as the one who is over all things.”*
- I. I Chron. 29:14a (NLT) *“But who am I, and who are my people, that we could give anything to you?”*
- J. I Chron. 29:14b (NLT) *“Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you first gave us!”*
- K. Acts 4:34a (NAS) *For there was not a needy person among them.*
- L. I Chron. 29:18 (NLT) *“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.”*

II. Conclusion