

The Book of Chronicles

Building His Temple

“For now I have chosen and sanctified and set apart for my purpose this house that My name may be here forever, and my eyes and My heart will be here perpetually.”

2 Chronicles 7:16

1. The LORD fills His temple after _____

2 Chronicles 5:13-14; 2 Chronicles 6:12-14; 2 Chronicles 6:18 - 7:3

2. His temple is _____

2 Chronicles 7:16

3. Because of Jesus, _____ temple

John 14:15-17; 1 Corinthians 3:16; 1 Corinthians 6:19,
1 Peter 2:5; Ephesians 2:18-22

Small Group Questions

1. In 2 Chronicles 5:13-14, it says "...then the house was filled with a cloud, so that the priests could not remain standing to minister because of the cloud; for the glory and brilliance of the LORD filled the house of God." And in 2 Chronicles 7:3, it says, "When all the people of Israel saw how the fire came down and saw the glory and brilliance of the Lord upon the house, they bowed down on the pavement with their faces to the ground..." Do you have a story or testimony of experiencing His holy presence that you can share with your group?

2. His presence filled His temple after there was worship through thanksgiving, praise, singing, playing instruments, and prayer. (2 Chron 5:13-14 and 2 Chron 7:1-3). And in 2 Chronicles 6:12-13, it says, "The Solomon stood before the altar of the LORD in the presence of the entire assembly of Israel and spread out his hands.....and he knelt down on his knees on the presence of all the assembly of Israel and spread out his hands toward heaven." Solomon then went on to pray a long and mighty prayer of dedication from 2 Chron 6:14-42, after this prayer, the glory and brilliance of the LORD fills the temple again. Hands in the air, kneeling, lying prostrate, and dancing are all additional expressions of worship. What is worship to you? Can you share with your group how you worship and your experience or journey with worship?

3. In John 14:15-17, 1 Cor. 3:16, 1 Cor. 6:19, and 1 Peter 2:5, because of Jesus, we are made to be His temple. His Spirit in us. In 2 Chronicles 7:16, God says "For now I have chosen and sanctified and set apart for MY purpose this house that My name may be here forever, and My eyes and My heart will be here perpetually." How do you see yourself relating to this definition of His temple? In what way is this inspiring, intimidating, encouraging, empowering, enlightening, humbling, or affirming to you?

