

Solomon: a Builder of Brilliance

*God delights to take people
from unlikely backgrounds
to make something special of them*

- *The Product of an Illegitimate Affair*
2 Samuel 12.24-25
- *The Pain of a Dysfunctional Family*
multiple mothers, sibling rivalry
incestuous rape
fratricidal murder
palace coup
murderous generals
a grieving father
- *His Father's Burning Ambition*
to build a house for the Lord
1 Chron 17

Solomon: Charged to Build a House for the Lord

1 Chronicles 22

1. His Father's Vision, v5

- *a temple worthy of God*
as a witness to the nations
God deserves the best
- because he's worth it!

2. His Father's Preparations, v5,14-16

- *strategies turn visions into reality*
materials and manpower needed
- in abundance vs 14-16

3. His Father's Commission, vs6-13

- *he reiterated the purpose*
of the project, vs 6-10
"for the name of the Lord"
not a name for himself Gen 11.4

- **he assured him of God's presence
young and inexperienced
but God was with him v11
1 Thess 5.24; John 15.5-8
Mat 28.18-20**
- **he prayed for spiritual discernment
to govern well, obey God v12-13**
- **he urged courage v13
fear comes from Satan Heb 2.15
peace comes from God
1 John 4.18
despair comes from Satan
hope is from God Rom 15.6**
- **he called for action to begin v16**

4. His Father's Call, vs17-19

- **for supportive teamwork v17**
- **for the Lord's enabling, v18**
- **for devotion to God himself v19
not just to the project**

devotion→discernment→magnificence