

1 Chronicles Overview Part 3 - Meticulously Read The Bible and Meticulously Test and Approve To Overcome Enemies Inside and Outside)

Not one or two enlightenments, but steps

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Purpose -> Steps (Initiative) (Meticulously Read The Bible / Test & Approve Perfect Will) -> Perfect Will of God

1. Blessed Genealogy

1) JX's Genealogy

2) Central to those with promise

3) I am in the midst

=> All possessions become a different colour

2. Blessed David

1) Without name or tribe (Who would have thought?) -> Know the promise (not exaggeration)

2) Gather around centering on David (everything adjusted for Joseph)

3) Warriors (30 persons) -> Set the trend/culture

** Not exaggeration but the truth*

3. Reason for David's Blessedness

1) Central to God (because you know your own weaknesses the best) -> Ark of Covenant (Promise) Place in Most Holy Place

2) Central to Prayers (David sought out why he failed the 1st time) -> God listens to people who knows how to put promise in the centre (Daniel, Ezra, ..)

3) Central to Tabernacle -> Morning/Evening prayers as preparations to build the temple -> able to decipher dreams (perfect will)

1) Failure (Do not accord to the law)

2) Method of Success (Law of Moses)

3) Evidence (subjective fulfilments - not to be taught)

4. David's Victory

Will you meticulously read the word of God when it is time for relaxation?

1) Enemy inside

*Problems -> *Answer*

Fear -> Joy

Accusations -> Thanksgiving

Inferiority -> Boast

Poverty -> Abundance

Hurt (hatred) ->

Discouragement -> Vision

**Secret = when you find the above wrong things manifesting inside you, do not let them remain (because what is worse is accusations through conscience of past wrongdoings) -> Die -> Picture*

2) Enemies outside

=> Rely on the Holy Spirit (not just doing by events happening)

5. Build the temple (Expansion vision)

Is our family not right? Is our job not right? Only if we accept them, then we will see the works of God. However, God tells us to live a life with steps of victory. We have to live with an eternal view first. Every morning, we have to receive prayer topics. Grabbing on to these prayer topics, we continue to see these being fulfilled in the day, and at night, we review the plan of God in fulfilling the prayer topics. This is then the Christian living becomes alive. However, many Christians just want to receive one or two enlightenments. The joy that I have is not receiving such enlightenments, but to see that God loves me, and that the things I pray for have fulfilment. If we do not receive this, you will only receive the words and wisdom of mine on the pulpit in Discipleship Training, and you will only be big-headed. This is what I fear, that you will be forever receiving, but never understanding. Slowly we lose the love of God, and the love to men; and our Christian living becomes more and more complicated and dry.

Purpose

You must surely pray in the morning. You must discover your purpose in the morning.

Steps (Initiative)

When you receive the purpose from God, God will give you the steps. If you receive the purpose, you will surely receive the steps. For example, in the morning, you prayed for your child. However, he became more naughty. Then the steps of God are to learn how to teach your child in such a situation. If you go to work with prayers, but meet with difficulties in the job, remember that you have become Joseph. Immediately you will see fulfilments. If say you do not have a good night's sleep and have bad dreams, your morning may be bad. Then when you wake up, proclaim that you are not poor but rich. Then go from there. If our morning prayers are not done well, we live like a failure not knowing the guidance of God. Then what happens after one full day is gone? Do you know what I hate most about the traditional churches of this era? They pray, yet live their own lives. They come for prayer meetings to pray so earnestly, yet do as they wish, forgetting everything.

There is initiative in God steps to us. If I tell you that there is problem in one of the equipments in the church, and everyone just goes and attends to that, this is not initiative. There is surely the perfect will of God in every situation. **Read in detail and test and approve God's perfect will in detail.** God has a lot of workings in everything. If we just do things or hear the word of God only because we are co-workers, you will lose all sensitivity in God.

Perfect will of God

If you cannot see the perfect will of God, you will surely be a little bit in sorrows. When I hear that Meifeng's child has been sick for a month, the next day, I immediately will receive the voice of God to pray for her and will strengthen her in her job search. If I serve the Lord and feel tired, yet see my co-workers not being tired, God will ask me to come and pray.

1 Chronicles talks about this. It all points to David, that we must test and approve the perfect will of God in detail.

1. Blessed Genealogy <1-9>

1) Jesus Christ's Genealogy

2) Central to those with promise

Adam - Noah - Abraham - David - Jesus Christ

3) I am in the midst

If my name is in the midst, the conditions, possessions I have will all have different colours. Others may think that this is a normal job, but it will be converted to being a very important job. Why do we think first about my conditions not being good, so that people do not like me or gather around me? No, but first, our hearts and minds are already knowing that we are in the midst of Jesus Christ's genealogy, therefore, all the things we have are different.

2. Blessed David <10-12> = 1, 2 Samuel

Actually 1,2Samuel and Ruth all talks about David.

1) Without name or tribe

David started as a shepherd. Perhaps at first, David thought that he was insignificant. Who had ever thought that Choo Chisan, who studied in Bedok View Secondary which was full of gangsters, has now become a pastor? Who was Jesse? He was a nobody. And who had thought that the youngest son of Jesse became the king of Israel. Who had thought that because of one person called David, the tribe of Judah was exalted, the names of Jesse and Boaz became alive? People will come and research on their roots and come to that conclusion. If a durian is so delicious, people will

seek out the tree and give it a name, and breed them. Do not think about other things. The crux is in the promises of God.

The churches have a culture. Why do some have dead worship? If City Harvest Church talks about the law, many churches will follow. If there is no one that is better than the others, they will just follow the one that seems to have the lead. Church music and messages all have a root in their culture.

If you have the promise, you will conquer the whole world.

Know the promise

There is only one condition. This is that we only look at ourselves with importance because Jesus Christ is in us (**blessed**), and that the **promises** of Christ are with us.

If we have the message, we will not need to be a "poser". Jesus Christ told the fishermen, "You will be fishers of men." I find that there is not a need for exaggeration at all if this is the truth. I continue to challenge Pastor Xueling that she is to conquer this era of churches. How can we think that we are a small engineer, or a small pastor?

When David was blessed, from Solomon till the 20 kings thereafter were all recorded down. This is the truth.

2) Gather around centering on David

If you restore the word of God, your words that convict people will remain. I do not aim to be famous, but that the kingdom of God be expanded. But how can such a name be hidden? I received a lot of convictions especially in preparations on the story of Joseph for Sunday school. Look, because of Joseph, the vegetation were abundant, the climate changed, and the dreams of Pharaoh changed. Only that you have such experience would you become like Jesus Christ. This is the standard of Jesus Christ.

3) Warriors (30 persons)

Do we read the bible like this before? Why do we youngsters follow the trend of the world? We must set the trend. Sometimes, it seems that we must learn the ways of the world like Daniel in Babylon because the world is so strong. However, that is not the main thing. The main thing is our perspectives are on His promises.

God's word says that this is not exaggeration. This is the truth.

3. The Reason of David's Blessedness (13-17)

However, can everyone be like David? Can we live as we wish and one day become like David so that people gather around you? No!

Chapters 13-17 are the most important emphasis of 1Chronicles. Ezra emphasized that if we get the blessedness of David, we will be in the centre of everything.

1) Central to God

One will know one's own weaknesses better than anybody else. Why do we walk our own ways? This is because we are proud. If we walk our own ways, we are easily influenced by the words of people. It is so painful. Therefore, since we know so well, be central to God.

Promise = Ark of Covenant

This is the word of God. The Ark of Covenant is placed in the Most Holy Place. The centre of the world is Israel, and the center of Israel is Jerusalem, the temple, the Holy Place, and the Most Holy Place. Therefore, this is the reason why David spent such a great effort in heart, soul and mind to bring the Ark of Covenant to the Most Holy Place. Greatest emphasis was placed on this in 1 Chronicles. Do not look down on this.