

It's a wonderful thing when an act of giving is accompanied by a thankful spirit. Let me explain. The occasion was a campaign to raise everything that was needed to build a Temple of Jerusalem for the worship of the Almighty God of Israel. King David was so eager to build it, but God said it wasn't going to happen that way. To Solomon, his son, would go that privilege. So, David did what he could to raise the funds in preparation for the great project. To do so, David committed a large portion of his wealth and challenged other leaders and all the people to follow his lead and do the same. When it all came together, David called for a time of celebration of worship. Their worship was the occasion for a sobering song of thanksgiving. How might that song inspire us to express deep gratitude to God?

God, we thank you:

- ***For making yourself known (vs. 10-11)***

- ***For the things we value deeply (v. 12)***

- ***For a glimpse of your glory (v. 13)***

- ***For every reminder that all things come from you (v. 14)***

Personal Application and Group Interaction

1. What kind of “tipper” are you when it applies to those in the service industry?
2. To what extent is your giving, to anyone or any cause, accompanied by gratitude?
3. Describe a song or scripture that engages you in deep gratitude to God.
4. What prevents you from expressing great thanks to God?
5. Who inspires you to be more thankful toward God and others?



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1 Chronicles 29:10-15

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