

## GOD'S DESIGNATED PLAN FOR THE CHURCH

*"Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. 2 Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come." (1 Corinthians 16:1-2)*

**Quote:** "One of the most frequent questions I hear about tithing is, 'Should I tithe based on my gross income or my net income?' My answer is always the same: 'Which amount do you want God to bless?'"—**Nelson Searcy**

**Quote:** "A vision that is not worthy of sacrifice is not a Christ-like vision."

### 3. A \_\_\_\_\_ PROVISION (v. 10-14)

#### A. The Collection Was \_\_\_\_\_ through God's People

**Quote:** "Stewardship is not about raising money, it's about raising Christians who willingly trust God."

#### SUPPLIED CHEERFULLY

*"Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." (2 Corinthians 9:7)*

*"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: 20 But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: 21 For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Matthew 6:19-21)*

#### SUPPLIED ABUNDANTLY

#### B. The Work Was \_\_\_\_\_

#### WORKERS WERE HIRED

#### SUPPLIES WERE PRODUCED

*"But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19)*

## CONCLUSION

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*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him, should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)*



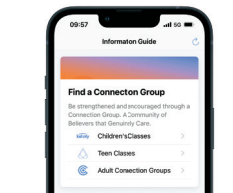
## UPCOMING EVENTS



**Soulwinning Relaunch**  
Saturday, February 10 | 9:30 AM



**Offering Sunday**  
Sunday, February 25



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# FORWARD IN COURAGE

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**Text:** 2 Chronicles 24:1-4

*“Joash was seven years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem. His mother’s name also was Zibiah of Beersheba. 2 And Joash did that which was right in the sight of the Lord all the days of Jehoiada the priest. 3 And Jehoiada took for him two wives; and he begat sons and daughters. 4 And it came to pass after this, that Joash was minded to repair the house of the Lord.” (2 Chronicles 24:1-4)*

## INTRODUCTION

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*“Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: And the fruit of the womb is his reward.” (Psalm 127:3)*

*“And Joash did that which was right in the sight of the LORD all the days of Jehoiada the priest.” (2 Chronicles 24:2)*

## 1. A \_\_\_\_\_ MIND (v. 1-4)

A. Gives \_\_\_\_\_

**Quote:** “Try not to be guilty of not noticing.”

A DETERMINED PRIORITY

**Quote:** “The people had fallen away from the Divine purpose of their national calling.”—**Edersheim**

*“And David said, Solomon my son is young and tender, and the house that is to be builded for the LORD must be exceeding magnificent, of fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will therefore now make preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his death.” (1 Chronicles 22:5)*

*“Moreover, because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have of mine own proper good, of gold and silver, which I have given to the house of my God, over and above all that I have prepared for the holy house,” (1 Chronicles 29:3)*

*“And they said unto me, The remnant that are left of the captivity there in the province are in great affliction and reproach: the wall of Jerusalem also is broken down, and the gates thereof are burned with fire. 4 And it came to pass, when I heard these words, that I sat down and wept, and mourned certain days, and fasted, and prayed before the God of heaven,” (Nehemiah 1:3-4)*

B. Involves the \_\_\_\_\_

HE CALLS A MEETING

HE CALLS FOR AN OFFERING

*“Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren, that they would go before unto you, and make up beforehand your bounty, whereof ye had notice before, that the same might be ready, as a matter of bounty, and not as of covetousness. 6 But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully. 7 Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.” (2 Corinthians 9:5-7)*

**Quote:** “Giving is not a matter of can and can’t, but will or won’t.”

## 2. A \_\_\_\_\_ PLAN (v. 6-9)

A. It Was a \_\_\_\_\_ Plan

JOASH CONFRONTED THE LEADERS

*“Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.” (1 Peter 2:5)*

*“But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God.” (Philippians 4:18)*

JOASH CONSTRUCTED A GIVING CHEST

**Quote:** “The throwing of money into a chest, through a hole in the lid of it, was a way that had not been used before, and perhaps the very novelty of the thing made it a successful expedient for the raising of money;”—

**Matthew Henry**

B. It Was a \_\_\_\_\_ Plan

**Quote:** “God’s commandments are God’s enablements.”

DESIGNATED IN THE LAW BY MOSES

*“And thou shalt take the atonement money of the children of Israel, and shalt appoint it for the service of the tabernacle of the congregation; that it may be a memorial unto the children of Israel before the Lord, to make an atonement for your souls.” (Exodus 30:16)*