

<sup>6</sup> He said to me: 'Solomon your son is the one who will build my house and my courts, for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his father.
<sup>7</sup> I will establish his kingdom forever if he is unswerving in carrying out my commands and laws, as is being done at this time.'

8 "So now I charge you in the sight of all Israel and of the assembly of the LORD, and in the hearing of our God: Be careful to follow all the commands of the LORD your God, that you may possess this good land and pass it on as an inheritance to your descendants forever.

<sup>9</sup> "And you, my son Solomon, acknowledge the God of your father, and serve him with wholehearted devotion and with a willing mind, for the LORD searches every heart and understands every motive behind the thoughts. If you seek him, he will be found by you; but if you forsake him, he will reject you

10 Consider now, for the LORD has chosen you to build a temple as a sanctuary. Be strong and do the work."

#### **Heart Condition**

- 1. Acknowledge God
- 2. Serve Him
  - wholehearted devotion
  - with a willing mind

<sup>9</sup> "... for the LORD searches every heart and understands every motive behind the thoughts. If you seek him, he will be found by you; but if you forsake him, he will reject you forever.

### If you seek Him

## You will find Him

# The Lord has chosen you

To serve Him

# Be strong and do the work

David also said to Solomon his son, "Be strong and courageous, and do the work. Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the LORD God, my God, is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you until all the work for the service of the temple of the LORD is finished.

- Be strong and courageous
- Do the work
- Do not be afraid or discouraged for the Lord is with you, He will not fail you or forsake you — until your work is finished

<sup>21</sup> The divisions of the priests and Levites are ready for all the work on the temple of God, and every willing man skilled in any craft will help you in all the work. The officials and all the people will obey your every command."

### James 4

<sup>1</sup>What causes fights and quarrels among you?

1...Don't they come from your desires that battle within you?

<sup>2</sup>You want something but don't get it. You kill and covet, but you cannot have what you want. You quarrel and fight. You do not have, because you do not ask God.

<sup>3</sup>When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

### Psalm 139

<sup>23</sup> Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.
 <sup>24</sup> See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

### 2 Chronicles 16

<sup>9</sup> For the eyes of the LORD range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him. You have done a foolish thing, and from now on you will be at war."

