

Series: God and Kings (2 Chronicles)

Sermon: Happiness in Greatness

Bible Verses: 2 Chronicles 2:5-7

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We love to be happy and to do great things - but true, lasting, joy _____.

Solomon set out to accomplish something great. It is a _____ that greatness will bring happiness.

Solomon wants to build a *great* temple, not because he wants to build something, but because it _____
_____! Solomon is enthralled by God's vastness!

Big question: are we working to make _____ great, or are we worshiping a great God and working to _____
how great _____?

Solomon recognizes that no _____ project from a man could contain God.

Solomon recognizes he's extremely insignificant compared to God. _____!

**We were designed to be _____ by greatness! If want _____ and inspiration, we
need a vision of God's grandness!**

Our smallness compared to God's grandness is not _____, it's _____ and it
actually brings us true _____!

When Solomon realizes how _____ he is, and how great God is, it motivates him to do the greatest things he can
possibly do, in _____ God.

**OUR HAPPINESS IS FOUND IN _____ GOD'S GREATNESS AND GLORIFYING _____ BY
SERVING HIM AND _____, WITH GREATNESS!**

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

Practical application: I need to assess, am I in awe of God's greatness (and am I trying to _____ God's
greatness) or am I pursuing _____ goals and 'happiness'?

**Practical Application: I must recognize how awesome God is, then decide to give God my _____ and _____
instead of _____.**

My own little Kingdom will never bring me _____ happiness. But serving the King of Kings is heavenly.

Growth Group prep

- Reread 2 Chronicles 2:5-7. What was the main goal of the Temple, and Solomon's purpose in building it? After Jesus rose from the dead and sent the Holy Spirit that Temple was unnecessary. In fact, God destroyed it. Now read 1 Corinthians 3:16. What do you think that verse means compared to 2 Chronicles 2?
- Thomas Carlyle said, "Does not every true man feel that he is himself made higher by doing reverence to what is really above him?" What does that mean, and do you agree?