



## Sermon Title: When The Answer Is No

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**Scripture:** 1 Chronicles 28: 1-7

<sup>1</sup> David summoned all the officials of Israel to assemble at Jerusalem: the officers over the tribes, the commanders of the divisions in the service of the king, the commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds, and the officials in charge of all the property and livestock belonging to the king and his sons, together with the palace officials, the warriors and all the brave fighting men.

<sup>2</sup> King David rose to his feet and said: "Listen to me, my fellow Israelites, my people. I had it in my heart to build a house as a place of rest for the ark of the covenant of the LORD, for the footstool of our God, and I made plans to build it.

<sup>3</sup> But God said to me, 'You are not to build a house for my Name, because you are a warrior and have shed blood.'

<sup>4</sup> "Yet the LORD, the God of Israel, chose me from my whole family to be king over Israel forever. He chose Judah as leader, and from the tribe of Judah he chose my family, and from my father's sons he was pleased to make me king over all Israel.

<sup>5</sup> Of all my sons—and the LORD has given me many—he has chosen my son Solomon to sit on the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel.

<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.'

**Discussion Questions:** Read all of 1 Chronicles 28. For more background read 2 Samuel 7.

Opening Question:

- Icebreaker: What movie or music are you a little bit embarrassed to admit that you like?
- Looking back, were you able to apply any of the things we talked about last time to your life this week? What did you do? How did it go?

Scripture Reflection Questions - Read this week's scripture together and discuss the following:

- What do we learn about God (e.g., traits, personality, what matters, priorities) in this passage and sermon?
- What do we learn about people, and ourselves in particular, this week?

Sermon Reflection Questions:

- How Does David respond when God tells him he cannot build the Temple? Why do you think David responded the way he did?
- How do you respond when you encounter a "no" in your life to something you wanted to do?

Closing Question and Application:

- Given what we've discussed together today, how might God want you apply these learnings to your life or in the life of your community this next week?
- Who might you share this with?