

## David's Sacrifice

### *1 Chronicles 21:14 - 30*

**Devotional Reading:** 2 Peter 3:11 - 18

**Background Scripture:** 1 Chronicles 21:1 – 22:1

**LESSON AIMS:** the students will:

- Specify what David accepted responsibility for
- Explain why David insisted on paying for what was offered to him as a gift
- Write an intercessory prayer on behalf of his or her community

**INTRODUCTION:** The author of 1 and 2 Chronicles did not specify why David ordered the census, except to say that Satan incited him to do so. The Lord was angry with His people and used David's census as an occasion to punish David and the people. At some point, David realized his mistake - - of allowing pride to have him rely on military power instead of God Himself. David sought the Lord's forgiveness.

**KEY VERSE:** *24 And king David said to Ornan, Nay; but I will verily buy it for the full price: for I will not take that which is thine for the LORD, nor offer burnt offerings without cost.*  
*1 Chronicles 21:24*

### **LESSON:**

The Destroying Angel

1 Chronicles 21:14 - 17

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The Fiery Altar

verses 18 - 27

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**Summary:** David was forgiven, but Israel had to be chastened. The prophet Gad went to David with the Lord's message. David and the elders repented and the Angel of the Lord commanded Gad to have David build an altar. David sacrificed as had been commanded. David saw that the Lord had accepted his sacrifice.

**Questions:**

1. *How would you respond to someone who thinks that disasters are God's judgment for sin?*
2. *What are some ways to take responsibility for something wrong you've done?*
3. *How will you, like David, give to God even though it costs you something?*

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DAY / DATE	SCRIPTURE	
Mon., Apr. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Answer Me, O Lord	Psalms 86:1 – 7, 10 – 17
Tue., Apr. 29 <sup>th</sup>	Be Alert	1 Peter 5
Wed., Apr. 30 <sup>th</sup>	The Lord Will Not Reject Forever	Lamentations 3:21 – 36
Thurs., May 1 <sup>st</sup>	God Patiently Waits for Repentance	2 Peter 3:1 – 10
Fri., May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Live the Godly Life	2 Peter 3:11 – 18
Sat., May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	A Presumptive King	1 Chronicles 21:1 – 13
Sun., May 4 <sup>th</sup>	A Costly Sacrifice	1 Chronicles 21:14 - 30

