

*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 desire and every thought. If you seek him, he will be found by you; but if you forsake him, he will reject you forever. Consider now, for the Lord has chosen you to build a house as the sanctuary. Be strong and do the work. **1 Chronicles 28:9-10 (NIV)***

A BLUEPRINT FOR WISDOM

1. MAKE IT PERSONAL

*And you, my son Solomon, acknowledge the God of your father... **1 Chronicles 28:9 (NIV)***

You God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water. I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory. Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you. On my bed I remember you; I think of you through the watches of the night. Because you are my help, I sing in the shadow of your wings. I cling to you; your right hand upholds me. Those who want to kill me will be destroyed; they will go down to the depths of the earth. They will be given over to the sword and become food for jackals. But the king will rejoice in God; all who swear by God will glory in him, while the mouths of liars will be silenced.

Psalm 63

2. BE STRONG

*And serve him with wholehearted devotion and with a willing mind, for the Lord searches every heart and understands every desire and every thought. If you seek him, he will be found by you; but if you forsake him, he will reject you forever. **1 Chronicles 28:9 (NIV)***

*Do not be like the horse or the mule, which have no understanding but must be controlled by bit and bridle or they will not come to you. **Psalm 32:9 (NIV)***

*Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls. **Jeremiah 6:16 (NIV)***

3. DO THE WORK

*Consider now, for the Lord has chosen you to build a house as the sanctuary. Be strong and do the work. **1 Chronicles 28:10 (NIV)***

*For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. **Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)***

*Consider now, for the Lord has chosen you to _____.
Be strong and do the work.*

*To equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. **Ephesians 4:12-13 (NIV)***