

# The Dedication of the Temple - 2 Chronicles 7:1-10

*Topics:* Abundance, Dedication, Giving, Glory, Goodness, Home, Joy, Love, Praise, Prayer, Thanksgiving, Worship

## Open It

- \* 1. What dedication ceremonies or services have you ever attended?
- 2. Why do some people dislike the practice of taking an offering during a church service?

## Explore It

- \* 3. Why were Solomon and all the people gathered at the new temple? (7:1-10)
- \* 4. What remarkable events happened after Solomon finished praying in the new temple? (7:1)
  - 5. Why couldn't the priests enter the temple? (7:2)
  - 6. How did all the people respond when they saw what was happening in the temple? (7:3)
- \* 7. What did the people say as they were worshiping the Lord? (7:3)
  - 8. What did the people and Solomon give to the Lord as an act of worship? (7:4)
  - 9. What kind of sacrifice did Solomon offer to the Lord? (7:5)
  - 10. What role did the priests and Levites play in the worship? (7:6)
  - 11. What did Solomon do when he consecrated the middle part of the courtyard of the temple? (7:7)
  - 12. For how many days did the Israelites observe the festival? (7:8)
  - 13. How many total days did the Israelites celebrate and dedicate? (7:8-9)
  - 14. With what attitude did the people return home? (7:10)

## Get It

- \* 15. What does it mean to dedicate something to God?
  - 16. How can a Christian dedicate his or her life to God's service?
  - 17. What is appropriate to say when we are worshiping the Lord?
  - 18. What role does giving play in our worship of God?
  - 19. What type of offerings can we bring to the Lord today?
  - 20. What kind of offering does God want us to bring to Him as part of worship?
- \* 21. In what situations have you ever sensed the presence of God?
  - 22. How would our worship of God be different if we saw fire from heaven consume our offerings and sacrifices?
  - 23. How does the worship of God in spirit and in truth change the worshiper?
  - 24. What does worship do to your outlook and perspective on life?

## Apply It

- 25. How can you prepare yourself to worship this next week with an attitude of giving and praise rather than wanting something for yourself?
- 26. For what specific reasons can you praise God this week?
- \* 27. What part of your life do you need to dedicate anew to the Lord?