



OLD TESTAMENT • HISTORY

1 Chronicles

Remembered identity and worship-centered leadership

AUTHORSHIP · Anonymous; traditionally associated with Ezra

DATE & CONTEXT · Commonly dated to the post-exilic period, fifth–fourth centuries BC

The big picture

Genealogies connect a returned community with its long story. The narrative then focuses on David, the ark, worship, and preparations for the temple. By retelling the past with particular attention to God’s promises and the ordered life of worship, Chronicles invites readers to see themselves as part of a continuing people rather than an isolated generation.

Words to carry

“Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.”

1 Chronicles 16:11 · KJV

Live it

01 Remember the faithful people who helped shape your life.

02 Make worship a shared practice rather than a private performance.

03 Prepare carefully for a good work someone else will complete.

Pause & reflect

How can I contribute to a story larger than my own?

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