



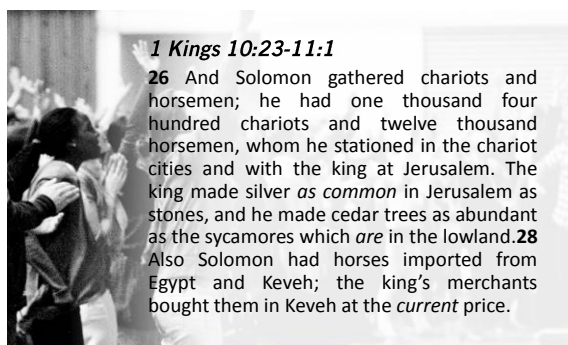
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Message



**1 Kings 10:23-11:1**  
So King Solomon surpassed all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom.**24** Now all the earth sought the presence of Solomon to hear his wisdom, which God had put in his heart.**25** Each man brought his present: articles of silver and gold, garments, armor, spices, horses, and mules, at a set rate year by year.

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**1 Kings 10:23-11:1**  
**26** And Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen; he had one thousand four hundred chariots and twelve thousand horsemen, whom he stationed in the chariot cities and with the king at Jerusalem. The king made silver *as common* in Jerusalem as stones, and he made cedar trees as abundant as the sycamores which *are* in the lowland.**28** Also Solomon had horses imported from Egypt and Keveh; the king's merchants bought them in Keveh at the *current* price.

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**1 Kings 10:23-11:1**  
**29** Now a chariot that was imported from Egypt cost six hundred *shekels* of silver, and a horse one hundred and fifty; and thus, through their agents, they exported *them* to all the kings of the Hittites and the kings of Syria. But King Solomon loved many foreign women, as well as the daughter of Pharaoh: women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians, *and* Hittites—**2** from the nations of whom the Lord had said to the children of Israel, "You shall not intermarry with them, nor they with you. Surely they will turn away your hearts after their gods." Solomon clung to these in love.

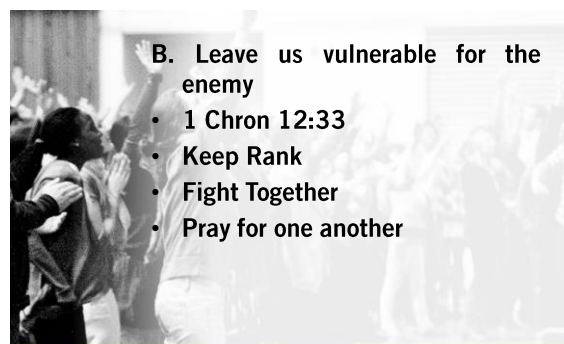
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**A. Delay our spiritual growth**

- 11 day journey became 40 years
- God called Haggai to deal with:
- Disinterest
- Discouragement
- Dissatisfaction

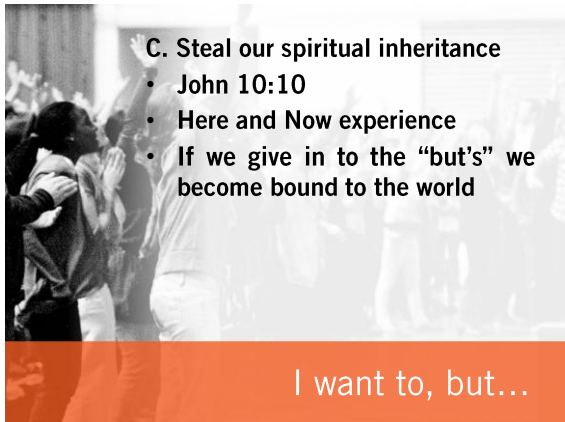
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**B. Leave us vulnerable for the enemy**

- 1 Chron 12:33
- Keep Rank
- Fight Together
- Pray for one another

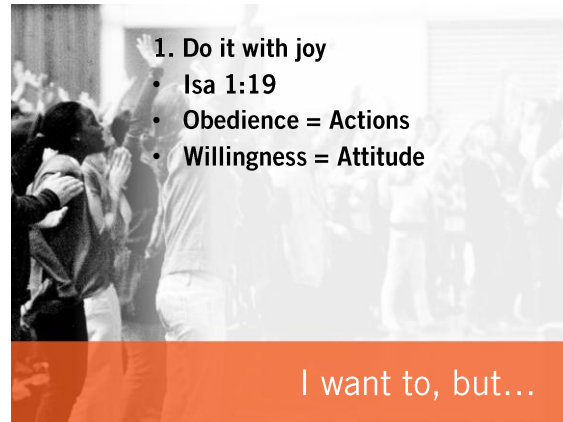
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**C. Steal our spiritual inheritance**

- John 10:10
- Here and Now experience
- If we give in to the “but’s” we become bound to the world

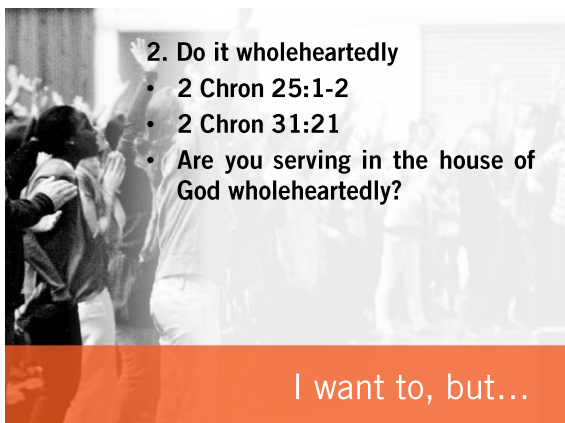
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**1. Do it with joy**

- Isa 1:19
- Obedience = Actions
- Willingness = Attitude

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**2. Do it wholeheartedly**

- 2 Chron 25:1-2
- 2 Chron 31:21
- Are you serving in the house of God wholeheartedly?

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**3. Do it faithfully**

- Luke 17:5-10
- Faith vs Obedience
- 2 Chron 16:9

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