

June 2 Questions

- 1) Construction of the temple. In front of the temple were two bronze pillars about 34½ feet high, 18 feet in circumference, and 3 inches thick. They were called Jachin and Boaz. Jachin meant “God will _____,” and Boaz meant “In God is _____.” They stood at the doors of the temple to _____ the people that God had promised to establish David’s dynasty, and that God had the power to perform what He had promised (cf. Rom 4:21). The craftsmen who labored on the temple, particularly Hiram, put an immense amount of _____ and _____ into their work. A simple tank might have sufficed for the water needs of the priests, but Hiram crafted a beautiful bronze basin so large they called it “the _____” (1 Kgs 7:23; Jer 52:17). Did it stand on a plain platform? No—it was supported by twelve _____, three facing north, three facing west, three facing south, and three facing east. This teaches us that we should put our whole _____ and might into our service for God. He is worthy of the most beautiful, majestic, detailed work that our skills and talents can achieve. Indeed, Solomon built a temple so wondrous that when it was gone, people _____ when they remembered its glory (Ezra 3:12). Kings and Chronicles both make a point of saying that Solomon completed _____ the work that was required to build the temple. Are we diligent to _____ the tasks God has given us, or do we find ourselves starting well and then never following through?