[Narrator] Today's story from scripture is about a special king of God's people named Joash. Joash was different from so many of the kings of God's people. Many Kings got caught up in how good it was to be king that they forgot that the reason that they were king was to do what God wanted. King Joash was different because doing what God wanted was very important to him and today we'll see what that meant for King Joash and two workers who got involved in making the temple into a beautiful place to worship like it used to be.

In our story today are a carpenter named Samuel, and his friend A Mason named Joseph. Carpenters work with wood, and masons work with stone. Also in our story are King Joash and Jehoiada the high priest. Of course, kings and high priests always have people around them to guard them and do things for them, and there are some of them in our story as well. Let's say hello to them.

[Scene] Both Joseph and Samuel have tool kits on their shoulders. Joseph is ahead of Samuel, they are both walking purposefully.

[Samuel] Hey Joseph, you old rock slicer, hold up a minute.

[Joseph] Samuel, is that you? I can barely recognize you with out the saw dust in your hair. Are you headed for the temple too?

[Samuel] Yes, I've been hearing that king Joash wants to repair the Temple.

[Joseph] Yes, I've been hearing that too. I keep dropping by there and looking for work but the priests never seem to find the money, at least not to pay men like us to work. I'm almost ashamed of how run down the temple has gotten.

[Samuel] I feel the same way, I'd really like to help and they could sure use the efforts of a top flight carpenter like me and maybe even a struggling Mason like you.

Joseph]I think that fixing up the temple is what God wants, I think the king agrees and wants to fix up the temple, I guess that sometimes people don't even do what a king wants unless he makes them.

[Samuel] I totally agree, I hope King Joash can get the work started.

[Scene] King Joash and priest Jehoiada the priest stride up. Some soldiers would be nice.

[Samuel] Look, here comes the king and the hi priest. Let's get out of the way.

[scene] They move quickly as king and priest start to pass. Joash stops group.

[Joash] Jehoiada, stop, here are some of the hard working and skilled men I was telling you about.

[Scene] Joash leads group over to Samuel and Joseph.

[Joash] are you headed for the temple looking for work?

[Samuel] Yes your Majesty.

[Joash] That's wonderful. I've been trying to get the temple fixed up for years but somehow, no matter how much money has come in it just doesn't seem to get done. Well, I want you to tell your friends that all of that has changed.

[Joseph] I'm sorry your majesty, I don't understand.

[Joash] I've told Jehoiada here to collect the money and to give it to the foremen who is to buy what is needed and to pay you what is fair. I've told them that all of you are honest and that you will do good work. I know that is what God wants and I want to do what God wants.

[Samuel] Thank you your majesty.

[Joseph] Many of us want to work on the temple because we agree that that is what God wants and now that we know that we will be paid and appreciated we're excited about making it look great again because that is what God must want.

[Narrator] So the work finally got started and the temple got cleaned up and fixed. People like Joseph and Samuel worked hard, did their work very well, and were paid fairly. Joash was known as a good king who tried very hard to do what God wanted.

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