What is In Your Heart?

How many of you have seen that credit card ad that asks, "What's in your wallet?" The gist of that ad is to get you to switch to using their credit card with the promise that you will be able to travel to cool and exotic places.

You can relax I am not going to ask what is in your wallet this morning as we prepare for the offering. Giving has and always will be a matter between you and God.

My question is what is in your heart? Whatever is in our hearts determines what our actions are. In the Old Testament King David wanted to build a temple for God. Ultimately his son Solomon built the temple but it was David who started the process. He gathered the people together and said this, "Listen to me, my brothers and my people. I had it in my heart to build a house as a place of rest for the ark..." He then laid out his dream and vision. In chapter 29 he leads the people to give willingly to fund the new temple. The offering that was given in chapter 29 was a result of a vision David had in his heart and communicated in chapter 28. The result was an incredible temple and a permanent resting place for the Ark of the Covenant.

David gave perhaps the greatest amount ever given personally because he was led by his heart. Yet the gift that is remember most in the Bible is the Widow's Mite. A gift so small many would have discounted it but Jesus looked beyond the amount and saw the heart of the widow and praised her generosity.

So, what is in your heart? Whatever is in your heart it will show up in what you give. Let's give with full hearts of thanksgiving for all God has done for us!