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**Bible Study Notes: Wholehearted Worship**

**Date: June 28, 2023**

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### Good Events in David's Life

- In David's early years he worked as a shepherd.
- David was anointed as King of Israel
- David defeated Goliath
- David made the city of Jerusalem the capital city of Israel.
- David is the writer of many of the Psalms

### Bad Events in David's Life

- David had an affair with Bathsheba and murdered her husband Uriah
- David at times struggled as a father with his son Absalom
- David demonstrated his pride and lack of trust when he conducted a census of Israel
- David showed poor judgment when he supported Nabal's mistreatment and his failed attempt to bring the Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem

### 2 Samuel 6 (ESV)

#### The Ark Brought to Jerusalem

**6** David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. <sup>2</sup> And David arose and went with all the people who were with him from Baale-judah to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who sits enthroned on the cherubim. <sup>3</sup> And they carried the ark of God on a new cart and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. And Uzzah and Ahio,<sup>[a]</sup> the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart, <sup>4</sup> with the ark of God,<sup>[b]</sup> and Ahio went before the ark.

#### Uzzah and the Ark

<sup>5</sup> And David and all the house of Israel were celebrating before the Lord, with songs<sup>[c]</sup> and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals. <sup>6</sup> And when they came to the threshing floor of Nacon, Uzzah put out his hand to the ark of God and took hold of it, for the oxen stumbled. <sup>7</sup> And the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzzah, and God struck him down there because of his error, and he died there beside the ark of God. <sup>8</sup> And David was angry because

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the Lord had broken out against Uzzah. And that place is called Perez-uzzah<sup>[d]</sup> to this day. <sup>9</sup> And David was afraid of the Lord that day, and he said, “How can the ark of the Lord come to me?”<sup>10</sup> So David was not willing to take the ark of the Lord into the city of David. But David took it aside to the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.

**Approach God with respect!**

<sup>11</sup> And the ark of the Lord remained in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months, and the Lord blessed Obed-edom and all his household.

**There is favor in God’s presence!**

<sup>12</sup> And it was told King David, “The Lord has blessed the household of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.” So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing. <sup>13</sup> And when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six steps, he sacrificed an ox and a fattened animal.

**We should desire an every 6 steps kind of worship!**

<sup>14</sup> **And David danced before the Lord with all his might. And David was wearing a linen ephod.** <sup>15</sup> So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting and with the sound of the horn.

**David and Michal**

<sup>16</sup> As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal the daughter of Saul looked out of the window and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord, and she despised him in her heart.

**NOTHING will accelerate your spiritual growth and sanctification more than gaining the right understanding of TRUE WORSHIP!!**

<sup>17</sup> And they brought in the ark of the Lord and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it. And David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the Lord. <sup>18</sup> And when David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts <sup>19</sup> and distributed among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and

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women, a cake of bread, a portion of meat,<sup>[e]</sup> and a cake of raisins to each one. Then all the people departed, each to his house.

<sup>20</sup> And David returned to bless his household. But Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David and said, “How the king of Israel honored himself today, uncovering himself today before the eyes of his servants' female servants, as one of the vulgar fellows shamelessly uncovers himself!”

### **True worship is bound by NOTHING!**

<sup>21</sup> And David said to Michal, “It was before the Lord, who chose me above your father and above all his house, to appoint me as prince<sup>[f]</sup> over Israel, the people of the Lord—and I will celebrate before the Lord. <sup>22</sup> I will make myself yet more contemptible than this, and I will be abased in your<sup>[g]</sup> eyes. But by the female servants of whom you have spoken, by them I shall be held in honor.” <sup>23</sup> And Michal the daughter of Saul had no child to the day of her death.

### **There are 3 types of worshipers found in 2 Samuel 6**

#### **1. The Careless Worshiper (Uzzah) - Verses 1-8:**

In the early part of the passage, we encounter Uzzah, who represents the careless worshiper. As the Ark of the Covenant was being transported, Uzzah disregarded God's instructions and reached out to steady the Ark when the oxen stumbled. God's anger was kindled against Uzzah, and he was struck dead. This incident serves as a cautionary tale, illustrating the danger of approaching worship with a lack of reverence and obedience.

#### **2. The Fearful Worshiper (Michal) - Verses 16-23:**

Michal, David's wife and daughter of Saul, exemplifies the fearful worshiper. When David, with great exuberance, danced before the Lord as the Ark was brought into Jerusalem, Michal despised him in her heart and criticized his actions. Michal's fear of man and concern for her own image hindered her ability to fully engage in worship.

#### **3. The Wholehearted Worshiper (David) - Verses 12-15:**

The central figure of this passage, King David, portrays the wholehearted worshiper. Despite the opinions of others and the potential for criticism, David unreservedly expressed his love and adoration for God through dance and song.

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His worship was marked by genuine joy, humility, and a deep sense of reverence for the presence of God.

**Claim this...**

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