

You go king!

Dance, David Dance!

## Breakthrough to worship



Why did they bring the ark back to the city of David? (B)

What happens when praise is absent? (D)

**2 Samuel 6:10-23** So David would not move the ark of the Lord with him into the City of David; but David took it aside into the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite.

**11** 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.

**12** Now it was told King David, saying, "The Lord has blessed the house 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 gladness.

**13** And so it was, when those bearing the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, that he sacrificed oxen and fatted sheep.

**14** Then David danced before the Lord with all his might; and David was wearing a linen ephod.

**15** So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting and with the sound of the trumpet.

**16** Now as the ark of the Lord came into the City of David, Michal, Saul's daughter, looked through a window and saw King David leaping and whirling before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.

**17** So they brought the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place in the midst of the tabernacle that David had erected for it. Then David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the Lord.

**18** And when David had finished offering burnt offerings and peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts.

**19** Then he distributed among all the people, among the whole multitude of Israel, both the women and the men, to everyone a loaf of bread, a piece of meat, and a cake of raisins. So all the people departed, everyone to his house.

**20** Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, "How glorious was the king of Israel today, uncovering himself today in the eyes of the maids of his servants, as one of the base fellows shamelessly uncovers himself!"

**21** So David said to Michal, "It was before the Lord, who chose me instead of your father and all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the Lord, over Israel. Therefore I will play music before the Lord.

**22** "And I will be even more undignified than this, and will be humble in my own sight. But as for the maidservants of whom you have spoken, by them I will be held in honor."

**23** Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no children to the day of her death.

Why did they set aside the ark at the house of Obed Edom ? (A)

"What is her problem?" (C)

So what was the divine order of worship? They were to worship in spirit and in truth. King David was a man after God's own heart. He was a king and yet he ministered unto the Lord as a priest. Yet, while he was out performing his kingly duty he made sure that the Levites ministered unto the Lord continuously (24 hours a day). They worshipped and served the Lord through:

- Singers and singing (1 Chronicles 15:16-27 & 25:1-7)
- Musicians and instruments (1 Chronicles 23:5, 25:1-7)
- Ministry of Levites before the Ark (1 Chronicles 16:6,6,37)
- Recording (1 Chronicles 16:4, 28:12, 19)
- Thanking the Lord (1 Chronicles 16:4, 8, 41)
- Praise (1 Chronicles 16:4, 36)
- Psalms (1 Chronicles 16:9, Psalms 98:6)
- Rejoicing and joy (1 Chronicles 16:10, 16, 25, 31)
- Clapping hands (Psalm 47:1, 98:8, Isaiah 55:12)
- Shouting (1 Chronicles 15:28, Psalms 47:1, 5; Isaiah 12:6)
- Dancing (1 Chronicles 15:29; 2 Samuel 6:14, Psalms 149:3; Psalms 150:4)
- Lifting up hands (Psalms 134: 141:2) (Lamentations 3:41)
- Worship (1 Chronicles 16:29, Psalms 29:1-2, 95:6)
- Seeking the Lord (1 Chronicles 16:10-11, 2 Chronicles 7:14)
- Spiritual sacrifices (Psalms 27:6, 1 Peter 2:3-5, Hebrews 13:15,16)
- Saying Amen (1 Chronicles 16:36)

### Answers:

- A = Disobedience
- B = Prosperity
- C = Pride
- D = Barrenness

We desperately need the presence of God (Exodus 33:15). The Ark of the Covenant was where the presence of God was in the Old Testament. We need the presence of God for us to go into battle and to subdue cities and kingdoms (Joshua 6:6). The first thing David did after taking Mt. Zion was that he fortified it and sought to bring the Ark of the Covenant back to him (1 Chronicles 13). He set up a tent and established a new order of worship where in God was ministered to 24 hours a day (1 Chronicles 15- 17). After this, he then went out with his army and subdued his enemies all around and he gathered the spoil in order to enable the next generation (Solomon) to build the temple of the Lord (1 Chronicles 18 - 22).

### Declarations:

I am a worshipper!  
 This is a worshipping church!  
 He will receive His due praise!  
 Every time we come together the Lord will be praised by me!

