

David the Great

2 Samuel 6

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1 Samuel 30:6 (NLT)

⁶David was now in great danger because all his men were very bitter about losing their sons and daughters, and they began to talk of stoning him. ***But David found strength in the LORD his God.***

2 Samuel 5:3-5 (NLT)

³So there at Hebron, King David made a covenant before the LORD with all the elders of Israel. And they anointed him king of Israel. ⁴David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned forty years in all. ⁵He had reigned over Judah from Hebron for seven years and six months, and from Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah for thirty-three years.

2 Samuel 6:1-7 (NLT)

¹Then David again gathered all the elite troops in Israel, 30,000 in all. ²He led them to Baalah of Judah to bring back the Ark of God, which bears the name of the LORD of Heaven's Armies, who is enthroned between the cherubim. ³They placed the Ark of God on a new cart and brought it from Abinadab's house, which was on a hill. Uzzah and Ahio, Abinadab's sons, were guiding the cart ⁴that carried the Ark of God. Ahio walked in front of the Ark. ⁵David and all the people of Israel were celebrating before the LORD, singing songs and playing all kinds of musical instruments—lyres, harps, tambourines, castanets, and cymbals. ⁶But when they arrived at the threshing floor of Nacon, the oxen stumbled, and Uzzah reached out his hand and steadied the Ark of God. ⁷Then the LORD's anger was aroused against Uzzah, and God struck him dead because of this. So Uzzah died right there beside the Ark of God.

1. ***How are we to steward/usher in the presence of God?***

- In ***accordance*** with the Word of God

Numbers 4:15 (NLT)

¹⁵The camp will be ready to move when Aaron and his sons have finished covering the sanctuary and all the sacred articles. The Kohathites will come and carry these things to the next destination. But they must not touch the sacred objects, or they will die. So these are the things from the Tabernacle that the Kohathites must carry.

- With ***Holy Fear*** and ***Respect***

Theologian Brueggemann said, *"the fear generated by this event was positive, for when people are no longer in awe, respectful, or fearful of God's holiness, the community(church) is put at risk."*

2. ***There are blessings in the presence of God.***

2 Samuel 6:10-12a (NLT)

¹⁰So David decided not to move the Ark of the LORD into the City of David. Instead, he took it to the house of Obed-edom of Gath. ¹¹The Ark of the LORD remained there in Obed-edom's house for three months, and the LORD blessed Obed-edom and his entire household. ¹²Then King David was told, "The LORD has blessed Obed-edom's household and everything he has because of the Ark of God."

1 Corinthians 3:16-17 (NLT)

¹⁶Don't you realize that all of you together are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God lives in you? ¹⁷God will destroy anyone who destroys this temple. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

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John 15:4-5 (NLT)

⁴Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me. ⁵“Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.

Galatians 5:22-23 (NLT)

²²But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!

3. How are we to worship God?

2 Samuel 6:12b-16 (NLT)

¹² So David went there and brought the Ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the City of David with a great celebration. ¹³After the men who were carrying the Ark of the LORD had gone six steps, David sacrificed a bull and a fattened calf. ¹⁴And David danced before the LORD with all his might, wearing a priestly garment. ¹⁵So David and all the people of Israel brought up the Ark of the LORD with shouts of joy and the blowing of rams' horns. ¹⁶But as the Ark of the LORD entered the City of David, Michal, the daughter of Saul, looked down from her window. When she saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD, she was filled with contempt for him.

- With our whole heart/being

Psalms 34:1 (ESV)

¹I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

- Sacrificially

Hebrews 13:15-16 (NLT)

¹⁵Therefore, let us offer through Jesus a continual sacrifice of praise to God, proclaiming our allegiance to his name. ¹⁶And don't forget to do good and to share with those in need. These are the sacrifices that please God.

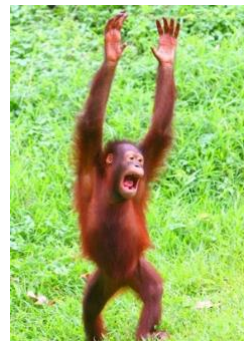
2 Samuel 6:22 (NLT)

²²Yes, and I am willing to look even more foolish than this, even to be humiliated in my own eyes!

T-Rex Worship



Orangutan Worship



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John 14:6 (NLT)

⁶ Jesus told him, “I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

Acts 2:38 (NLT)

³⁸ Peter replied, “Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 (NLT)

²³ For I pass on to you what I received from the Lord himself. On the night when he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread ²⁴ and gave thanks to God for it. Then he broke it in pieces and said, “This is my body, which is given for you.^[a] Do this in remembrance of me.” ²⁵ In the same way, he took the cup of wine after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant between God and his people—an agreement confirmed with my blood. Do this in remembrance of me as often as you drink it.” ²⁶ For every time you eat this bread and drink this cup, you are announcing the Lord’s death until he comes again.