

**DGM Message Title: David Danced** 

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<u>Message Summary:</u> God wants to bless us, but we have to give him praise along the way, just like David. We can approach God, but we must know our limits. While it is important that we inquire of God for needs, etc. it is important that we show our love and respect through our praise. We often want to be served before we serve.

## **Scripture References (NKJV):**

- o II Samuel 6:1-14
- o Numbers 4:15
- o II Samuel 23:2 & 4
- o II Samuel 11:3
- o Psalms 145:3
- o I Chronicles 15:12-13

# **Key Points:**

- o II Samuel 6:1
- David calls for top men of Israel, 30,000
  - He gathered them for a 30-mile journey to the edge oh Philistine territory
- II Samuel 6:2
  - O David went with the people to see the ark of God
    - It was a gold box that had two angels on it
    - The philistines had stolen the arc about 30 years earlier
    - When they stole it, they took it to their capitol of city
    - The whole city broke out in hemorrhoids because of the arc
    - They moved the arc to another city and they had hemorrhoids
    - They moved it to a third city and the same thing happened
      - Wherever we try to keep what was stolen from God, that area becomes a pain in vour backside
  - The power of the arc came from the presence of the one who dwells on it.
    - When we enter His presence with praise, He enters our situation with power.
- David was bringing the arc back
  - They set it on a new cart.
- Numbers 4:15
  - o They were bringing the arc to another place but they were not allowed to touch it or they will die
  - The philistines did not have a bible so they didn't know what Moses said
  - And they did not have any Levites to carry
  - God was willing to overlook that they put it on a cart
    - When we know better he expects us to do better
      - God doesn't require perfection, but he does require our best
- o II Samuel 6:3

 Every major decision that David made was punctuated by these words that he inquired from the Lord

## o 1 Samuel 23:2 & 4

- o David asked if he should attack the Philistines and the Lords said yes. He won.
- David asked again and the Lord said do it

## o 1 Samuel 30:8

- David inquired again, the lord said yes
- II Samuel 2:1
- II Samuel 11:3
  - David inquired about a woman
  - o He may have never met Bathsheba if he did not inquire about her
  - Sometimes we take information from the wrong sources which can lead us the wrong way
    - Our troubles begin when we start taking cues from the wrong sources

#### o II Samuel 6:3

- o David set the arc of God on a new cart and didn't follow what he was supposed to do
  - He listened to the people around one
    - How can we help the world around us if we conform to the worlds broken ideas and patterns?
- He brought it out on the hill

## o II Samuel 6:5

- o David and 30,000 people danced to music before the Lord
  - Before the Lord meant they were with God
  - They could feel God
  - Everyone was doing a happy dance
  - They didn't do everything right with the arc, but they were able to experience the presence of God
  - God is incredibly gracious and allow us to feel him at times
  - Some people think that if they feel him everything will be ok
  - That's not always the case
    - If God showed this type of mercy in the old testament/covenant, how much more will he show us now that we are under the new testament.
  - When we are in his presence, he allows us to come just as we are
- The band played great instruments.
  - All types of instruments

## o II Samuel 6:6

- Uzzah put his hand out to touch the arc and hold it
  - What we establish in our own strength, we are must sustain over our own strength
  - Uzzah crossed the line
  - He thought he needed to save God
  - We try to help God but we are only looking at the human perspective and not from Gods
  - Humanism can destroy you when we only focus on our own opinions and perspectives

#### o Psalm 145:3

- His greatness no one can fathom
- If God is the amazing God we know he is, then we should stop trying to help God
  - It's deeply insulting for him
  - God never calls for our help, only our cooperation

#### II Samuel 6:7

- The thing about playing close to the edge is that we often don't know how far we can go until we fall
- o God struck Uzzah for touching the ark and he died next to the ark
- God is approachable in all situations, but sometimes we over step our boundaries

- We forget our limits sometimes but we need to remember our place
- You cannot assist God by rejecting his instruction

#### II Samuel 6:8

- David became angry in the Lords outbreak against Uzzah
  - You can see the shift in David's personality
  - David started to look at things in a scientific and psychological perspective instead of inquiring God first
  - He started having lapses and it is gradual
    - He would follow the world then make his way back

#### o II Samuel 6:9

- David was afraid of the Lord that day
- He said how can the ark come to me
- o If absolute power doesn't make you pause, it is only because you have never been around it.
- God has absolute power
- David felt sorry for himself
- Most self-pity comes from taking yourself too seriously and God too lightly
  - When you start getting a big head you get sucked in your own perspective instead of God's perspective and you will be in trouble
  - Whenever you stop laughing at yourself you are in trouble. When you only see if from your perspective
- We all have moments but David stayed in that moment

### II Samuel 6:10

- David did not want to move the ark
- He was stubborn
- He took the ark to Obed-Edom

## o II Samuel 6:11

- The ark of the Lord stayed in the same place. The house of Obed-Edom. And the lord blessed that household
- David thought God was mean, but there are two sides to every story
- When David saw God's goodness, it reminded him
  - God wants to bless us and David snapped out of his funk
- o God deals with us because he loves us so he can bless us more
- He's not trying to harm us
  - When we start following God's directions, it's only a matter of time before he releases his blessings
- o David brought the ark with gladness because he did It according to the word
  - If you have no joy in your life, it is because you have a leak in your Christianity

# o 1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles 15:12

- David is speaking to Levites
- o David was telling them to sanctify themselves so they can bring the ark to Israel

## o 1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles 15:13

- o God broke out against them because the people did not consult with God about the proper order
  - They failed to obey
- God cannot fail but we can
- o They didn't do the right thing the first time so God was against them
- You start getting your life out of order when you start following others
  - We get in trouble when we start getting in trouble when we are influenced by the empire rather than the kingdom of God
  - We are in this world, but not of it
  - There's nothing wrong with having fun
  - Worldliness is when you go to the world for your authority

- We have to do things according to the proper order
- God's people perish for the lack of knowledge

## o II Samuel 6:13

- o They repented
  - Repentance not only changes our hearts; it changes the way we walk
  - IF you still walking the same way you did a couple of chapters back in your life, there wasn't a real change on the inside
  - He sacrificed oxen or sheep's
  - The bible says without blood there is no remission of sin
  - You may have done wrong, but continue and do right, the mercy will cover you
- O When they went 6 paces, they worshipped God
  - This was the spirit of generosity

## o II Samuel 6:14

- o Then David Danced with all his might
- o We should dance and give praise God every six steps
- o That's the type of life God wants us to live