

TRIUMPHS
AND TRIALS
of the
KING



The Worship of a King

2 SAMUEL 6



Has God pleased with the worship (or lack thereof)
that you have been offering him?



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1 David again assembled all the fit young men in Israel: thirty thousand. 2 He and all his troops set out to bring the ark of God from Baale-judah. The ark bears the Name, the name of the LORD of Armies who is enthroned between the cherubim.

3 They set the ark of God on a new cart and transported it from Abinadab's house, which was on the hill. Uzzah and



Ahio, sons of Abinadab, were guiding the cart 4 and

Romans 3:24,25

“We are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. God presented him as the mercy seat by his blood, through faith, to demonstrate his righteousness.”



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5 David and the whole house of Israel were dancing before the LORD with all kinds of fir wood instruments, lyres, harps, tambourines, sistrums, and cymbals.

6 When they came to Nacon's threshing floor, Uzzah reached out to the ark of God and took hold of it because the oxen had stumbled. 7 Then the LORD's anger burned



against Uzzah, and God struck him dead on the spot for

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8 David was angry because of the LORD's outburst against Uzzah, so he named that place Outburst Against Uzzah, as it is today. 9 David feared the LORD that day and said, "How can the ark of the LORD ever come to me?"

10 So he was not willing to bring the ark of the LORD to the city of David; instead, he diverted it to the house of



Obed-edom of Gath. 11 The ark of the LORD remained in his

Hebrews 12:29

*“serve God acceptably, with reverence and awe,
for our God is a consuming fire”*



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12 It was reported to King David, "The LORD has blessed Obed-edom's family and all that belongs to him because of the ark of God." So David went and had the ark of God brought up from Obed-edom's house to the city of David with rejoicing.

13 When those carrying the ark of the LORD advanced  steps, he sacrificed an ox and a fattened calf. 14 David was



“The worship God accepts is worship that obeys his revelation.”

--John Stott



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15 He and the whole house of Israel were bringing up the ark of the LORD with shouts and the sound of the trumpet.

16 As the ark of the LORD was entering the city of David, Saul's daughter Michal looked down from the window and saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD, and she despised him in her heart.



“The greatest threat to authentic worship is not
irrelevance, but respectability.”

--David Wells



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17 They brought the ark of the LORD and set it in its place inside the tent David had pitched for it. Then David offered burnt offerings and fellowship offerings in the LORD's presence.

18 When David had finished offering the burnt offering and the fellowship offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of Armies.



19 Then he distributed a loaf of bread, a date cake, and a

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20 When David returned home to bless his household, Saul's daughter Michal came out to meet him. "How the king of Israel honored himself today!" she said. "He exposed himself today in the sight of the slave girls of his subjects like a vulgar person would expose himself."



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21 David replied to Michal, "It was before the LORD who chose me over your father and his whole family to appoint me ruler over the LORD's people Israel. I will dance before the LORD, 22 and I will dishonor myself and humble myself even more., However, by the slave girls you spoke about, I will be honored."



23 And Saul's daughter Michal had no child to the day of

Worship that honors the King

If embarrassment restrains our worship more than reverence shapes it, then something is out of order

Offering God-exalting, Christ-honoring,

Spirit-empowered worship is why we were made.



Worship in spirit and truth

*We can only worship God through faith in Jesus,
our atoning sacrifice.

*The fear of the Lord must form our worship
into joyful obedience.



*True worship is wholehearted devotion,