

II Samuel 2

Chapter 6: The Ark is moved. David assembles 30,000 men. "Choice men" picked by David. Ark not mentioned much in the reign of Saul. David wanted the Ark with him in the City of David. Called by the name of God of Hosts. Solemn procession with honor.

Put the Ark on a *cart*. Uzzah and Ahio drive the cart. David and others play music with different instruments.

Oxen stumble at threshing floor of Nachon. Uzzah steadies the Ark. He was a Levite but not a priest. Ark could only be moved by the Kohathites. They could carry the Ark but could not touch any holy thing. God is jealous for the sacred things. David gets angry and names the place "breach of Uzzah."

David afraid to take the Ark to his city. Goes in house of Obed-edom. Levite. Named for the city he was from. Group of Levites that watched over the Ark when it was in the tent. Their house was blessed.

David then moves the Ark with gladness to City of David. Ark is carried as it is supposed to be. Sacrifices after 6 paces. David wearing an ephod and dances with *all his might*. Everyone is glad.

Machal watches from a window. Despises David.

David built a tent for the Ark. Offerings after the Ark is placed.

Gives food to the people

Machal berates David with sarcasm when he goes to bless his house. Not fit for the King. He was showing off for the young women.

He replies he does it for the LORD. He will play music and be even more undignified.

She is punished- never has children.

Chapter 7: David at rest in his cedar palace. At rest from enemies. Calm time. Has time to meditate and think. Wants to give something back to God. Wanted a place for the Ark. Now he wants a better place for it.

Nathan is his friend and confidant. Speaks as friend and not as a prophet.

That night God speaks to Nathan. He has dwelt in a tent, never in a house. (Prefiguration of Christ) He never asked anyone to build Him a house. God had raised David up from the sheepfold, made him great and was always with him. Made a Land for the people. God will make *David* a house.

God will establish David's seed who will build God a house. David's throne will be established forever. God will not withdraw His favor even if the son fails. Solomon is punished but David's House goes on. Did not happen with Saul's house. Seed goes all the way the Jesus. Son of David. House and Throne are *forever*.

Nathan tells David all this.

David goes before the LORD. Feels that he and his family are lowly. Humbles himself. This is so above how men would deal with each other. God has done all this for His Glory and purposes.

God has made Israel His very own people. Redeemed from Egypt. Covenant with God. Set apart from all the other people.

Who is like Thee? Ex 15:11.

The LORD of Hosts is God over Israel.

Chapter 8: David subjects enemies. Philistines, Moabites (Ruth), Syrians. Killed 2/3 of the Moabites. Expanded territory. Consolidated his reign.

Chapter 9: Wants to do good to Saul's house. For Jonathan's sake. Had promised this to Jonathan. Even though Saul had tried to kill him. Jonathan's son, who is lame. will always eat at David's table.

