

Life of David, part 2

Lesson 5

Text

2 Samuel 6

Day 1 - Recall, Read, and Listen

1. Look back to the previous lesson or teaching. Write down a few things you learned from last week. This can include any facts or findings, something taught from the teacher, a life application that challenged you, or anything else related to the study.

2. Read and/or listen to this week's passage twice. If possible, use different translations. I highly recommend having the passage read to you. Many apps, including the Blue Letter Bible, have a feature that will read the Bible to you. Meditate and pray on the passage.

Day 2 - Unleashing the Text

3. Looking back to 1 Samuel 4 - 1 Samuel 6, we see the Ark of Covenant captured by the Philistines and eventually returned to Israel. You might want to skim through those chapters to get more context. By 1 Samuel 7, it is placed in the house of Abinadab and remains there for a period of time. Looking at 1 Samuel 7:1-2, how long was it in Abindab's house and who was consecrated to look over it?

4. In verse 7, Uzzah, one of Abindab's descendants, reached out instinctively to steady the ark after the oxen stumbled, which cost him his life. 1 Chronicles 15:2 tells us that only one tribe was permitted to carry the ark of God and even they couldn't touch it. They were also the tribe that looked over the ark. Which tribe was it? Based on your previous studies, what is the primary function of this tribe?

5. After the death of Uzzah, how did David react? What action did he take with the ark? Where was this action taken?

6. Looking at verse 16, what city does the ark finally arrive in? Where was it placed? How would you describe the mood of David and the people of Israel based on verses 13-15.

7. Not everybody was excited to see David dancing and singing before the Lord as the ark returned. Who confronted David about his unkingly behavior? What was David's response to her?

Day 3 - Reflecting on the Text

8. In verses 14-15, we see a joyous and excited David dancing before the Lord with all his might. In your own words, why do you think David was so joyous and expressing himself this way?

Day 4 - Personal Response

9. What are you excited about that the Lord is doing in your life? David danced. You might not dance, and that's okay. How do you express joy for what the Lord is doing in your life?

Day 5 - Cross Reference - 1 Chronicles 15:1-28

10. In between the first and second sentence of 2 Samuel 6:12 is this passage in 1 Chronicles 15. Read 1 Chronicles 15:1-28 and note some of the things you learn about the moving of the ark of the covenant. Also list anything else that enriched your reading of our 2 Samuel 6 this week.

Day 6 - Closing Thoughts and Reflections

As you've had time to meditate on this week's passage, write down any closing thoughts and/or list ways this passage has challenged you. How are you going to take the application from Day 5 and make it a tangible application for you? What are some additional things that you'd like to share with your group? These are just a few ideas to jot down as you close out this week.

Notes from the Teaching

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