

*Courageous Leaders Worship*

Courage to Lead – Part 6

II Samuel 6:12-23

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Q. As a leader, have you ever made a decision that disappointed or upset people you care about?

Leading God’s Way:

1. Courageous Leaders \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (Vs. 12-15)

II Sam. 6:12-15 *Now it was told King David, saying, "The LORD has blessed the house of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, on account of the ark of God." David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with gladness. 13 And so it was, that when the bearers of the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. 14 And David was dancing before the LORD with all his might, and David was wearing a linen ephod. 15 So David and all the house of Israel were bringing up the ark of the LORD with shouting and the sound of the trumpet.* (NAU)

* Vs .12 – *“with gladness.”*
* Vs. 13 – *“He sacrificed…”*
* Vs. 14 – *“David was dancing before the Lord…”*
* Vs. 15 – *“with shouting and the sound of the trumpet.”*
1. Courageous Leaders Will Be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (Vs. 16)

II Sam. 6:16 *Then it happened as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David that Michal the daughter of Saul looked out of the window and saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.* (NAU)

Mt. 10:25 *"It is enough for the disciple that he become like his teacher, and the slave like his master. If they have called the head of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign the members of his household!”* (NAU)

II Tim. 3:12 *Indeed, all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.* (NAU)

John 15:18-19 *"If the world hates you, you know that it has hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you.”* (NAU)

1. Courageous Leaders \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (Vs. 17-19)

II Sam. 6:17-19 *So they brought in the ark of the LORD and set it in its place inside the tent which David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD. 18 When David had finished offering the burnt offering and the peace offering, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts. 19 Further, he distributed to all the people, to all the multitude of Israel, both to men and women, a cake of bread and one of dates and one of raisins to each one. Then all the people departed each to his house.*

1. *Offered burnt and peace offerings to God* – V. 17
2. *Blessed the people* – V. 18
3. *Distributed gifts to all the people* – V. 19
4. Courageous Leaders live for an \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (Vs. 20-23)

II Sam. 6:20-23 *But when David returned to bless his household, Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David and said, "How the king of Israel distinguished himself today! He uncovered himself today in the eyes of his servants' maids as one of the foolish ones shamelessly uncovers himself!" 21 So David said to Michal, "It was before the LORD, who chose me above your father and above all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the LORD, over Israel; therefore I will celebrate before the LORD. 22 I will be more lightly esteemed than this and will be humble in my own eyes, but with the maids of whom you have spoken, with them I will be distinguished." 23 Michal the daughter of Saul had no child to the day of her death.* (NAU)

Point:

Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!

1. Have you ever been despised for a decision you made as a leader? Have you ever been despised for what you did for God?
2. How much of your life is focused on worship?
3. How do you worship God?
4. How free are you to offer yourself to God in worship?
5. How do you connect with the heart of God in worship?
6. When have you been despised for loving Jesus?
7. What would be the likely response if you put worship 1st in your life?