

## ***“The Life Of David” – IX***

David wants to restore Godly worship in Israel.

- The “*Ark of the Covenant*” had been removed from the Tabernacle by the Philistines.

### **2 Samuel 6:1-2** – What is the “*Ark of the Covenant*”?

- “*Ark*” means ‘a box, a chest’ ... the LID was the “*Mercy Seat*”.
- INSIDE was like a “*Time Capsule*” ... Manna, Aaron’s Rod, Stones of the 10 Commandments.

On the “*Day of Atonement*”, blood was sprinkled on the “*Ark*”.

- The “*Ark*” represented the visible presence of Almighty God.
- The “*Ark*” preceded them in the Wilderness ... at Jericho.

Other nations viewed the “*Ark*” as Israel’s “*god*”.

- The “*Ark*” was stolen ... no central place of worship.

### **2 Samuel 6:1-5** – David prepares to bring it back to Jerusalem.

**6:6-7** – The “*Ark*” wasn’t to be touched under penalty of DEATH.

- They didn’t carry the “*Ark*” in the proper way.
- Why didn’t the Philistines die when they touched the “*Ark*”?
- The more “*light*”, the more “*responsibility*” – James 3:1
- David did what was “*convenient*”, not what was “*right*”.

**6:8** – David’s mad with God ... God’s mad with David.

- David did the right thing, the wrong way.
- What’s important to God, should be important to you.
- God wants you to pay attention to details ... in His WORD!

**6:9** – David gets the details – Psalms 111:10

- Do it God’s way, or pay the price.

**6:10-12** – The Scriptures show us the “*right way*”.

**6:13-15** – This journey was a joyous occasion.

**6:16** - Not everyone was happy on this joyous occasion.

**6:20** – David took off his royal robes, and danced with and like the “*common people*”.

- There’s nothing wrong with enjoying worship!

**6:21-23** – David responds to Michal’s sarcasm & criticism.

- Care more about what God thinks, than what other’s think.
- **W.D.J.S.** – “What Does Jesus Say”?