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1ST & 2ND
SAMUEL

THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S
THE CONSEQUENCES OF THE FAILURE

MOVING THE ARK

2 SAMUEL 6:12–23; 1 CHRONICLES 15:1–16:6

1A God blesses David and he unites and expands the kingdom. 2 Sam. 2–10

**2A God disciplines David for his sins and David reaps the consequences. But God transforms cursing into blessing.
2 Sam. 11–20**

**3A Six appendices that evidence the greatness of the Davidic Covenant.
2 Sam. 21–24**

1A God blesses David and he expands and unites the kingdom. 2 Sam. 1–10

1B The beginning of David's kingdom, 2 Sam. 2:1–4:12

2B God gives David control over Jerusalem, 2 Sam. 5:1–25

3B God is enthroned in Jerusalem, 2 Sam. 6

2 Sam. 6:1, “Again David gathered all the choice men of Israel, thirty thousand.

2 Sam. 6:2, “And David arose and went with all the people who were with him to Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God which is called by the Name, the very name of the LORD of hosts who is enthroned above the cherubim.” NASB 95



MEDITERRANEAN S

Yarkon River

W. Euphrates River

Joppa

Bethel

Ai

Gilgal

Jericho

Beth-horon

Gibeon

Gezer

Aijalon

Chephirah

Kiriath-jearim

Beeroth

Jebus (Jerusalem)

Ekron

Beth-shemesh

Jarmuth

Ashdod

Bethlehem

Ashkelon

Gath

Azekah

Adullam

Libnah

Beth-zur

Lachish

Makkedah

Hebron

Gaza

En-gedi

DEAD SEA

Eglon

Debir

Ziklag

Gerar

Beor Brook

1 Chronicles 9:35–29:30

Chapters 1:1–9:34 focus on the genealogies down from Abraham to David.

Chapters 9:35–29:30 focus on the life and reign of David.

- A. God elevates David to be king of Israel, 1 Chron. 9:35–10:14**
- B. God fulfills His promise to make David king of Israel, 11:1–12:40**
- C. God allows David to bring the ark back to Jerusalem, 13:1–16:43**
- D. God makes a covenant with David, ch 17.**
- E. God gives David victory over his enemies, 18:1–20:8**
- F. God reveals to David His plans for the Temple, which does not include David building it, 21:1–29:25**
- G. Recounts the death of David in 29:16–30**

1. David Moves the Ark: Part One (13:1–14)

**2. David Consolidated His Domain
(14:1–17)**

**3. David Moves the Ark: Part Two
(15:1–16:43)**

~Kevin Zuber, *Moody Bible Commentary*

1 Chron. 13:8, “Then David and all Israel played music before God with all their might, with singing, on harps, on stringed instruments, on tambourines, on cymbals, and with trumpets.”

Num. 4:5, “When the camp sets out, Aaron and his sons shall go in and they shall take down the veil of the screen and cover the ark of the testimony with it;

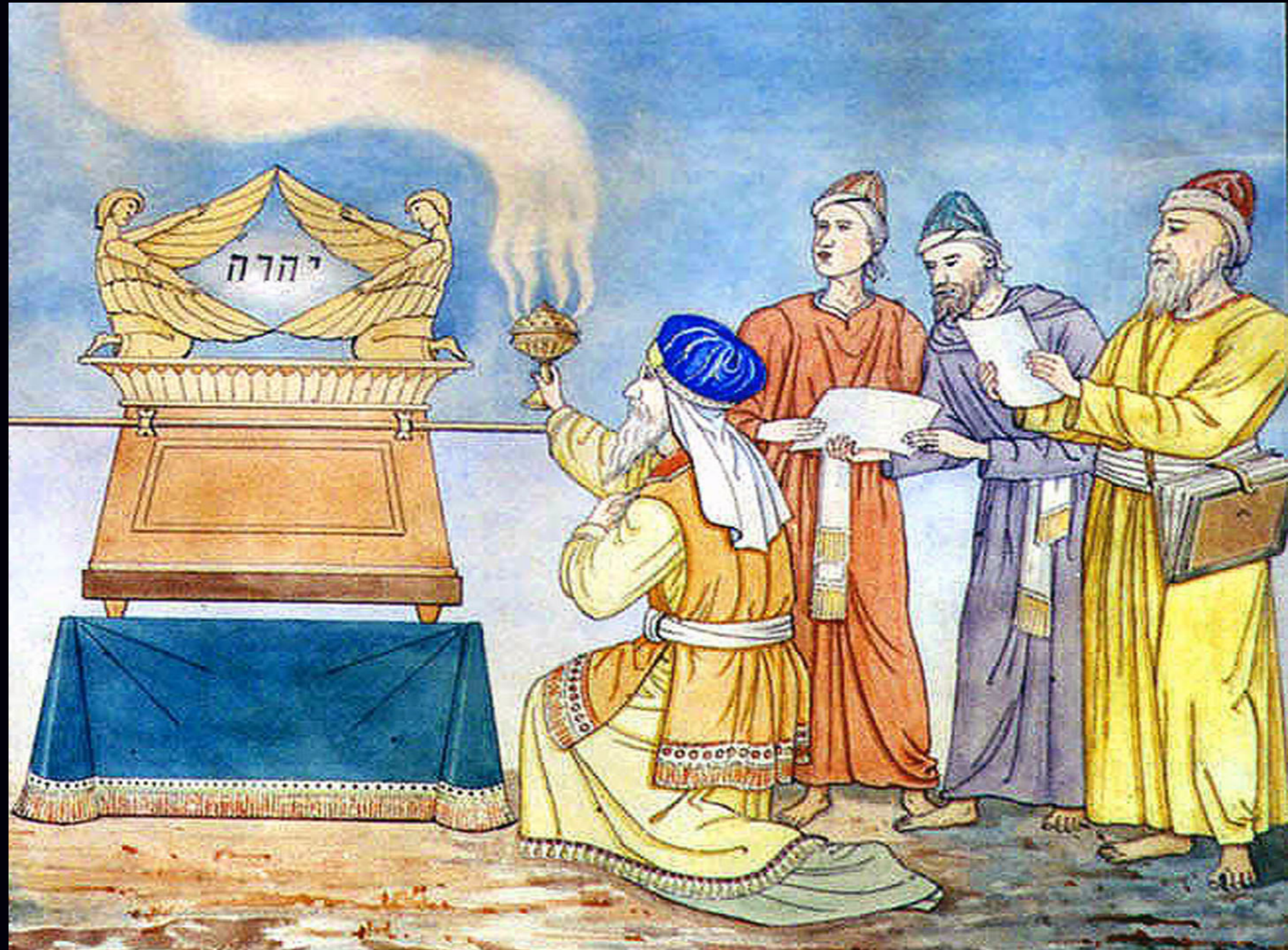
Num. 4:6, “and they shall lay a covering of porpoise skin on it, and shall spread over it a cloth of pure blue, and shall insert its poles.”

Ex. 25:15, “The poles shall be in the rings of the ark; they shall not be taken from it.”

Deut. 10:8, “At that time the LORD set apart **the tribe of Levi to carry the ark of the covenant of the LORD**, to stand before the LORD to serve Him and to bless in His name until this day.”

Num. 7:9, “But he did not give *any* to the sons of **Kohath because theirs was the service of the holy *objects*, which they carried on the shoulder.”**

1 Samuel 7:1, “And the men of Kiriath-jearim came and took the ark of the LORD and brought it into the house of Abinadab on the hill, and consecrated Eleazar his son to keep the ark of the LORD.”



1 Chron. 13:3, “ ‘and let us bring the ark of our God back to us, for we have not inquired at it since the days of Saul.’

1 Chron. 13:4, “Then all the assembly said that they would do so, for the thing was right in the eyes of all the people.”

1 Chron. 13:5, “So David gathered all Israel together, from Shihor [the river] in Egypt to as far as the entrance of Hamath, to bring the ark of God from Kirjath Jearim.

1 Chron. 13:6, “And David and all Israel went up to Baalah, to Kirjath Jearim, which belonged to Judah, to bring up from there the ark of God the LORD, who dwells between the cherubim, where His name is proclaimed.”

2 Sam. 6:3, “So they set the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill; and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, drove the new cart.”



2 Sam. 6:7, “Then the anger of the LORD was aroused against Uzzah, and God struck him there for his error; and he died there by the ark of God.

2 Sam. 6:8, “And David became angry because of the LORD’S outbreak against Uzzah; and he called the name of the place Perez Uzzah to this day.”

And the ark of the Lord remained in the house of Obed-edom the Gittite three months, and the Lord blessed Obed-edom and all his household.

2 SAMUEL 6:11



1 Chron. 13:13, “So David would not move the ark with him into the City of David, but took it aside into the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite.”

David learns there are right and wrong ways to worship God.

****God is more interested in blessing than judgment. But when He is ignored and His righteousness violated then His justice must be satisfied. But He is slow to anger and quick to forgive. There were many points of disobedience, but this act of Uzzah's is one that finally brings divine discipline.**

Summary in 2 Sam. 6:12–13

2 Sam. 6:12, “Now it was told King David, saying, ‘The Lord has blessed the house of Obed-Edom and all that belongs to him, because of the ark of God.’ So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-Edom to the City of David with gladness.

2 Sam. 6:13, “And so it was, when those bearing the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, that he sacrificed oxen and fatted sheep.”

1 Chron. 15:3, “And David gathered all Israel together at Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the Lord to its place, which he had prepared for it.”

1 Chron, 15:4–10 provides the precise details of the Levitical organization for moving the ark.

1 Chron. 15:12, “He said to them, ‘You are the heads of the fathers’ houses of the Levites; sanctify yourselves, you and your brethren, that you may bring up the ark of the Lord God of Israel to the place I have prepared for it.

1 Chron. 15:13, “ ‘For because you did not do it the first time, the Lord our God broke out against us, because we did not consult Him about the proper order.’ ”

1 Chron. 15:14, “So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the Lord God of Israel.

1 Chron. 15:15, “And the children of the Levites bore the ark of God on their shoulders, by its poles, as Moses had commanded according to the word of the Lord.”

1 Chron. 15:16, “Then David spoke to the leaders of the Levites to appoint their brethren to be the singers accompanied by instruments of music, stringed instruments, harps, and cymbals, by raising the voice with resounding joy.

1 Chron. 15:17, “So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel; and of his brethren, Asaph the son of Berechiah; and of their brethren, the sons of Merari, Ethan the son of Kushaiah;”

2 Sam. 6:14, “Then David danced before the Lord with all his might; and David was wearing a linen ephod.

2 Sam. 6:15, “So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting and with the sound of the trumpet.”

1 Chron. 15:25, “So David, the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord from the house of Obed-Edom with joy.

1 Chron. 15:26, “And so it was, when God helped the Levites who bore the ark of the covenant of the Lord, that they offered seven bulls and seven rams.

1 Chr. 15:27, “David was clothed with a robe of fine linen, as were all the Levites who bore the ark, the singers, and Chenaniah the music master with the singers. David also wore a linen ephod.”

1 Chron. 16:7, “On that day David first delivered this psalm into the hand of Asaph and his brethren, to thank the Lord:”

1 Chron. 16:2, “And when David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord.”

2 Sam. 6:17, “So they brought the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place in the midst of the tabernacle that David had erected for it. Then David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the Lord.

2 Sam. 6:18, “And when David had finished offering burnt offerings and peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts.”

2 Sam. 6:19, “Then he distributed among all the people, among the whole multitude of Israel, both the women and the men, to everyone a loaf of bread, a piece of meat, and a cake of raisins. So all the people departed, everyone to his house.”

1 Chron. 16:3, “Then he distributed to everyone of Israel, both man and woman, to everyone a loaf of bread, a piece of meat, and a cake of raisins.

1 Chron. 16:4, “And he appointed some of the Levites to minister before the ark of the Lord, to commemorate [remember], to thank, and to praise the Lord God of Israel:”

1 Chron. 16:6, “Benaiah and Jahaziel the priests regularly blew the trumpets before the ark of the covenant of God.”

2 Sam. 6:16, “Now as the ark of the Lord came into the City of David, Michal, Saul’s daughter, looked through a window and saw King David leaping and whirling before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.”

1 Chron. 15:29, “And it happened, as the ark of the covenant of the Lord came to the City of David, that Michal, Saul’s daughter, looked through a window and saw King David whirling and playing music; and she despised him in her heart.”

2 Sam. 6:20, “Then David returned to bless his household. And Michal the daughter of Saul came out to meet David, and said, ‘How glorious was the king of Israel today, uncovering himself today in the eyes of the maids of his servants, as one of the base fellows shamelessly uncovers himself!’

2 Sam. 6:21, “So David said to Michal, ‘It was before the Lord, who chose me instead of your father and all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the Lord, over Israel. Therefore I will play music before the Lord.’ ”

2 Sam. 6:22, “And I will be even more undignified than this, and will be humble in my own sight. But as for the maidservants of whom you have spoken, by them I will be held in honor.”

1 Chron. 16:34, “Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

1 Chron. 16:35, “And say, ‘Save us, [*hosheannu*] O God of our salvation; Gather us together, and deliver us from the Gentiles, to give thanks to Your holy name, to triumph in Your praise.’

1 Chron. 16:36, “Blessed be the Lord God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting! And all the people said, ‘Amen!’ and praised the Lord.”

2 Sam. 6:23, “Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no children to the day of her death.”

2 Sam. 7:1, “Now it came to pass when the king was dwelling in his house, and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies all around,”