

Dave – Part 5

“God’s Things, Done God’s Way... ...Get God’s Blessing”

2 Samuel 6-7

But...

1. You can’t steal or duplicate someone else’s blessing
2. You must go after your own blessing
3. You must follow God’s instructions to get the blessing

“But when they arrived at the threshing floor of Nacon, the oxen stumbled, and Uzzah put out his hand to steady the Ark of God. Then the Lord’s anger blazed out against Uzzah for doing this, and God struck him dead beside the Ark of God. David was angry because the Lord’s anger had blazed out against Uzzah. He named that place Perez-uzzah (which means “outbreak against Uzzah”). It is still called that today.”
2 Samuel 6:6-8 (NLT)

Three Serious Issues:

- a) The seriousness with which God takes his instructions
- b) The seriousness with which God reacts to sin
- c) The seriousness of our reactions to His correction

“David was now afraid of the Lord and asked, “How can I ever bring the Ark of the Lord back into my care?” So David decided not to move the Ark of the Lord into the City of David. He took it instead to the home of Obed-edom of Gath. The Ark of the Lord remained there with the family of Obed-edom for three months, and the Lord blessed him and his entire household.”

2 Samuel 6:9-11 (NLT)

“Then King David was told, “The Lord has blessed Obed-edom’s home and everything he has because of the Ark of God.” So David went there and brought the Ark to the City of David with a great celebration. After the men who were carrying it had gone six steps, they stopped and waited so David could sacrifice an ox and a fattened calf. And David danced before the Lord with all his might, wearing a priestly tunic. So David and all Israel brought up the Ark of the Lord with much shouting and blowing of trumpets.”

2 Samuel 6:12-15 (NLT)

- a) Freedom in Christ is Always Criticized.
- b) Criticism always starts inside and leaks out
- c) Criticism against God’s ‘anointed’ is punished
- d) The unjustly criticized just keep on keeping on!

“David retorted to Michal, “I was dancing before the LORD, who chose me above your father and his family! He appointed me as the leader of Israel, the people of the LORD. So I am willing to act like a fool in order to show my joy in the LORD. Yes, and I am willing to look even more foolish than this, but I will be held in honor by the girls of whom you have spoken!” So Michal, the daughter of Saul, remained childless throughout her life.”
2 Sam 6:21-23 (NLT)

When God Gives You a Dream...or says “no”?

1. While God may say ‘no’ (or not yet) to your dream, he does say “yes” to you!!
2. When God says ‘no’ to your dream, it is because he has a better one for you and he wants you to be able to say ‘yes’ to it!
3. When God says ‘no’ to your dream, listen for his word, and do everything you can to humbly cooperate with God and celebrate with others as His dream gets realized!!