**The Ark Brought To Jerusalem**

 2Samuel 5:16- 16:23 (Key verse 6:12b)

*“…So David went to bring up the ark of God from the house of Obed-Edom to the City of David with rejoicing.”*

**Chapter 5:17-25 The defeat of the Philistines**

1. How did David respond when the Philistines came out in full force to search out and kill him (17,18)? What did David do and what was the Lord’s response (19)? What happened (20,21)? What did the Philistines do again and how did David respond (22,23) How different was the Lord’s response this time around and why (23,24)? What do these events show about David (25)?

**Chapter 6:1-23 The ark is brought to Jerusalem**

1. Why did David bring these many young men? (1, 2a) What is the ark of the Lord called? (2b) How do they bring the ark of the Lord from the house of Abinadab (3-4), and how does that compare with 1 Ch 15:13[[1]](#footnote-1),15[[2]](#footnote-2)? How are David and all Israel celebrating before the Lord? (5)
2. Why does the Lord’s anger burn against Uzzah and what is the consequence? (6-8) Why is David hesitant to have the ark of the Lord brought to him? (9,10) Where does the ark of the Lord stay for three months and what is the result? (11)
3. Why does David decide to have the ark of the Lord brought to him? (12) How does David carefully move the ark of the Lord? (13) What are David and all Israel doing before the Lord to bring up the ark of the Lord? (14,15) When the ark of the Lord is brought to the tent David pitched, what does David do first?(17) What does David do after his sacrifice? (18,19)
4. When David returns to bless his household, how does Michal criticize David? (16,20) What is David’s response? (21,22) What do David’s actions show about him? What happens to Michal? (23)
1. It was because you, the Levites, did not bring it up the first time that the Lord our God broke out in anger against us. We did not inquire of him about how to do it in the prescribed way.” [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. And the Levites carried the ark of God with the poles on their shoulders, as Moses had commanded in accordance with the word of the Lord [↑](#footnote-ref-2)