

Getting Back to the Heart of Worship

2 Samuel 6:1-23

❑ **Mixed Motives + Wrong Methods ≠ Worship (1-11)**

- While commendable, David's motives for returning the ark to Jerusalem were mixed (1-2)
- David's method of transporting the ark ignored God's instructions (3-4)
- Great zeal does not make up for disobedience (5)
- David didn't take God's power or his holiness seriously (6-8)
- David learned to fear the Lord (9-11)

❑ **Worship Done the Right Way Brings Blessing and Joy (12-19)**

- Following God's instructions leads to joyful worship (12-13)
- David worshipped the Lord with all his heart (14-15)
- David worshipped God and blessed the people (17-19)

❑ **Focus on God in worship, not on what others may think (16, 20-23)**

- Not everyone, including those closest to you, will approve of how you worship (16, 20)
- Don't let criticism deter you from worshipping God wholeheartedly (21-22)
- Let God deal with those who disapprove of your worship (23)

When you come to God the right way, you can worship any way you want

When you come to God the wrong way, how you worship doesn't matter