

Discussion Questions for The Story of David Pt6 | October 31, 2021

Key Bible Passages: 2 Samuel 6

Discussion Questions

1. When you picture God, how do you picture him? As a doting grandfather, a stern judge, a security guard with video monitors of everyone's life, a disappointed parent, a well-meaning therapist, or someone else?
2. Read 2 Samuel 6:1-2. The message discussed the importance of sacred rules, rituals, and objects in Israel, especially as it relates to the ark.
 - a. Why is the ark so meaningful to Israel?
 - b. Do you connect to God through sacred rules, rituals, and objects? Why or why not?
 - c. What sacred rules, rituals, and objects have been important in Christianity?
3. Read 2 Samuel 6:3-7. What is it about this story that is offensive or disturbing?
4. Is there a warning in this story about "new" technology? Or do you think that is a stretch?
5. David later dances wildly when the ark is brought into Jerusalem (2 Samuel 6:14-16). Why do you think David dances this way? What compelled him?
6. When do you get "undignified" (2 Samuel 6:22)? What causes you to celebrate in a similar manner?
7. What do you think of the idea that God is like an untameable lion? Is that a compelling image for you? How does it challenge you?
8. In what ways do you think you tame God or put him in a box?
9. How did this story and message challenge you personally?

Moving Forward

- Dance like David did this week. :)
- Read *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* (and all the Chronicles of Narnia) by C.S. Lewis for a good description of an untameable lion.
- Decide on one action you will take this week that is out of your comfort zone in your relationship with God or his presence or work in your life.