

### David Learns an Important Lesson (c. 998 BC)

2 Samuel 6:12a; 1 Chronicles 15:2–15

2 Sam 6:12a Now it was told King David, saying, “The LORD has blessed the house of Obed-edom and all that belongs to him, on account of the ark of God.”

1 Chr 15:2 Then David said, “No one is to carry the ark of God but the Levites; for the LORD chose them to carry the ark of God and to minister to Him forever.”

3 And David assembled all Israel at Jerusalem to bring up the ark of the LORD to its place which he had prepared for it.

4 David gathered together the sons of Aaron and the Levites:

5 of the sons of Kohath, Uriel the chief, and 120 of his relatives;

6 of the sons of Merari, Asaiah the chief, and 220 of his relatives;

7 of the sons of Gershon, Joel the chief, and 130 of his relatives;

8 of the sons of Elizaphan, Shemaiah the chief, and 200 of his relatives;

9 of the sons of Hebron, Eliel the chief, and 80 of his relatives;

10 of the sons of Uzziel, Amminadab the chief, and 112 of his relatives.

11 Then David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, Joel, Shemaiah, Eliel and Amminadab,

12 and said to them, “You are the heads of the fathers’ *households* of the Levites; consecrate yourselves both you and your relatives, that you may bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel to *the place* that I have prepared for it.

13 Because you did not *carry it* at the first, the LORD our God made an outburst on us, for we did not seek Him according to the ordinance.”

14 So the priests and the Levites consecrated themselves to bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel.

15 The sons of the Levites carried the ark of God on their shoulders with the poles thereon, as Moses had commanded according to the word of the LORD.

### Musicians for the Procession (c. 998 BC)

1 Chronicles 15:16–24

16 Then David spoke to the chiefs of the Levites to appoint their relatives the singers, with instruments of music, harps, lyres, loud-sounding cymbals, to raise sounds of joy.

17 So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel, and from his relatives, Asaph the son of Berechiah; and from the sons of Merari their relatives, Ethan the son of Kushaiah,

18 and with them their relatives of the second rank, Zechariah, Ben, Jaaziel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Unni, Eliab, Benaiah, Maaseiah, Mattithiah, Eliphelehu, Mikneiah, Obed-edom and Jeiel, the gatekeepers.

19 So the singers, Heman, Asaph and Ethan *were appointed* to sound aloud cymbals of bronze;

20 and Zechariah, Aziel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Unni, Eliab, Maaseiah and Benaiah, with harps *tuned* to alamoath;

21 and Mattithiah, Eliphelehu, Mikneiah, Obed-edom, Jeiel and Azaziah, to lead with lyres tuned to the sheminith.

22 Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, *was in charge of* the singing; he gave instruction in singing because he was skillful.

23 Berechiah and Elkanah were gatekeepers for the ark.

24 Shebaniah, Joshaphat, Nethanel, Amasai, Zechariah, Benaiah and Eliezer, the priests, blew the trumpets before the ark of God. Obed-edom and Jehiah also *were* gatekeepers for the ark.

### The Great Procession (c. 998 BC)

2 Samuel 6:12b–15	1 Chronicles 15:25–28
<p>12b David</p> <p>went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom into the city of David with gladness.</p> <p>13 And so it was, that when the bearers of the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling.</p> <p>14 And David</p> <p>was dancing before the LORD with all <i>his</i> might, and David was wearing a linen ephod.</p> <p>15 So David and all the house of Israel were bringing up the ark of the LORD with shouting and the sound of the trumpet.</p>	<p>25 <i>So it was</i> David, with the elders of Israel and the captains over thousands, who went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD from the house of Obed-edom with joy.</p> <p>26 Because God was helping the Levites who were carrying the ark of the covenant of the LORD, they sacrificed seven bulls and seven rams.</p> <p>27 Now David was clothed with a robe of fine linen with all the Levites who were carrying the ark, and the singers and Chenaniah the leader of the singing <i>with</i> the singers.</p> <p>David also wore an ephod of linen.</p> <p>28 Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD with shouting, and with sound of the horn, with trumpets, with loud-sounding cymbals, with harps and lyres.</p>

### Tell of All His Wonderful Works (c. 998 BC)

Psalm 105	1 Chronicles 16:8–22
<p>1 Oh give thanks to the LORD, call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples.</p> <p>2 Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; Speak of all His wonders.</p> <p>3 Glory in His holy name; Let the heart of those who seek the LORD be glad.</p> <p>4 Seek the LORD and His strength; Seek His face continually.</p> <p>5 Remember His wonders which He has done, His marvels and the judgments uttered by His mouth,</p> <p>6 O seed of Abraham, His servant, O sons of Jacob, His chosen ones!</p> <p>7 He is the LORD our God; His judgments are in all the earth.</p> <p>8 He has remembered His covenant forever, The word which He commanded to a thousand generations,</p> <p>9 <i>The covenant</i> which He made with Abraham,</p>	<p>8 Oh give thanks to the LORD, call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples.</p> <p>9 Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; Speak of all His wonders.</p> <p>10 Glory in His holy name; Let the heart of those who seek the LORD be glad.</p> <p>11 Seek the LORD and His strength; Seek His face continually.</p> <p>12 Remember His wonderful deeds which He has done, His marvels and the judgments from His mouth,</p> <p>13 O seed of Israel His servant, Sons of Jacob, His chosen ones!</p> <p>14 He is the LORD our God; His judgments are in all the earth.</p> <p>15 Remember His covenant forever, The word which He commanded to a thousand generations,</p> <p>16 <i>The covenant</i> which He made with Abraham,</p>

<p>And His oath to Isaac.</p> <p>10 Then He confirmed it to Jacob for a statute, To Israel as an everlasting covenant,</p> <p>11 Saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan As the portion of your inheritance,"</p> <p>12 When they were only a few men in number, Very few, and strangers in it.</p> <p>13 And they wandered about from nation to nation, From <i>one</i> kingdom to another people.</p> <p>14 He permitted no man to oppress them, And He reproved kings for their sakes:</p> <p>15 "Do not touch My anointed ones, And do My prophets no harm."</p>	<p>And His oath to Isaac.</p> <p>17 He also confirmed it to Jacob for a statute, To Israel as an everlasting covenant,</p> <p>18 Saying, "To you I will give the land of Canaan, As the portion of your inheritance."</p> <p>19 When they were only a few in number, Very few, and strangers in it,</p> <p>20 And they wandered about from nation to nation, And from <i>one</i> kingdom to another people,</p> <p>21 He permitted no man to oppress them, And He reproved kings for their sakes, <i>saying</i>,</p> <p>22 "Do not touch My anointed ones, And do My prophets no harm."</p>
<p>16 And He called for a famine upon the land; He broke the whole staff of bread.</p> <p>17 He sent a man before them, Joseph, <i>who</i> was sold as a slave.</p> <p>18 They afflicted his feet with fetters, He himself was laid in irons;</p> <p>19 Until the time that his word came to pass, The word of the LORD tested him.</p> <p>20 The king sent and released him, The ruler of peoples, and set him free.</p> <p>21 He made him lord of his house And ruler over all his possessions,</p> <p>22 To imprison his princes at will, That he might teach his elders wisdom.</p> <p>23 Israel also came into Egypt; Thus Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.</p> <p>24 And He caused His people to be very fruitful, And made them stronger than their adversaries.</p> <p>25 He turned their heart to hate His people, To deal craftily with His servants.</p> <p>26 He sent Moses His servant, <i>And</i> Aaron, whom He had chosen.</p> <p>27 They performed His wondrous acts among them, And miracles in the land of Ham.</p> <p>28 He sent darkness and made <i>it</i> dark; And they did not rebel against His words.</p> <p>29 He turned their waters into blood And caused their fish to die.</p> <p>30 Their land swarmed with frogs <i>Even</i> in the chambers of their kings.</p> <p>31 He spoke, and there came a swarm of flies <i>And</i> gnats in all their territory.</p> <p>32 He gave them hail for rain, <i>And</i> flaming fire in their land.</p> <p>33 He struck down their vines also and their fig trees,</p>	

And shattered the trees of their territory.  
 34 He spoke, and locusts came,  
 And young locusts, even without number,  
 35 And ate up all vegetation in their land,  
 And ate up the fruit of their ground.  
 36 He also struck down all the firstborn in their land,  
 The first fruits of all their vigor.  
 37 Then He brought them out with silver and gold,  
 And among His tribes there was not one who stumbled.  
 38 Egypt was glad when they departed,  
 For the dread of them had fallen upon them.  
 39 He spread a cloud for a covering,  
 And fire to illumine by night.  
 40 They asked, and He brought quail,  
 And satisfied them with the bread of heaven.  
 41 He opened the rock and water flowed out;  
 It ran in the dry places *like* a river.  
 42 For He remembered His holy word  
*With* Abraham His servant;  
 43 And He brought forth His people with joy,  
 His chosen ones with a joyful shout.  
 44 He gave them also the lands of the nations,  
 That they might take possession of *the fruit of* the peoples' labor,  
 45 So that they might keep His statutes  
 And observe His laws,  
 Praise the LORD!

### Let Us Sing Songs of Praise (c. 998 BC)

#### Psalm 95

[*Attributed to David by the author of Hebrews (cf. Hebrews 4:7).*]

1 O come, let us sing for joy to the LORD,  
 Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.  
 2 Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving,  
 Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.  
 3 For the LORD is a great God  
 And a great King above all gods,  
 4 In whose hand are the depths of the earth,  
 The peaks of the mountains are His also.  
 5 The sea is His, for it was He who made it,  
 And His hands formed the dry land.  
 6 Come, let us worship and bow down,  
 Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.  
 7 For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.  
 Today, if you would hear His voice,  
 8 Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,  
 As in the day of Massah in the wilderness,  
 9 "When your fathers tested Me,  
 They tried Me, though they had seen My work.

- 10 “For forty years I loathed *that* generation,  
And said they are a people who err in their heart,  
And they do not know My ways.
- 11 “Therefore I swore in My anger,  
Truly they shall not enter into My rest.” [[Heb 3:7–4:11](#)]

### Sing to the LORD, All the Earth (c. 998 BC)

Psalm 96	1 Chronicles 16:23–33
1 Sing to the LORD a new song; Sing to the LORD, all the earth.	23 Sing to the LORD, all the earth;  Proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day.
2 Sing to the LORD, bless His name; Proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day.	24 Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.
3 Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.	25 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; He also is to be feared above all gods.
4 For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods.	26 For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the LORD made the heavens.
5 For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the LORD made the heavens.	27 Splendor and majesty are before Him, Strength and joy are in His place.
6 Splendor and majesty are before Him, Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.	28 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
7 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.	29 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come before Him; Worship the LORD in holy array.
8 Ascribe to the LORD the glory of His name; Bring an offering and come into His courts.	30 Tremble before Him, all the earth;  Indeed, the world is firmly established, it will not be moved.
9 Worship the LORD in holy attire; Tremble before Him, all the earth.	31 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; And let them say among the nations, “The LORD reigns.”
10 Say among the nations, “The LORD reigns; Indeed, the world is firmly established, it will not be moved; He will judge the peoples with equity.”	32 Let the sea roar, and all it contains; Let the field exult, and all that is in it.
11 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;  Let the sea roar, and all it contains;	33 Then the trees of the forest will sing for joy before the LORD; For He is coming to judge the earth.
12 Let the field exult, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy	
13 Before the LORD, for He is coming, For He is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness And the peoples in His faithfulness.	