

## HUNGER & THIRST: A LIFESTYLE OF WORSHIP | NOVEMBER 4, 2018

**INTRODUCTION:** There are different types of worship because there are different types of people. Some worship quietly, others exuberantly. Some raise their hands, dance, tap their toes.... No matter your background; preference, or perspective, when it comes to worship, the most important question is: ***What type of worship pleases God?***

### SCRIPTURE

*<sup>12</sup>Now King David was told, “The Lord has blessed the household of Obed-Edom and everything he has, because of the ark of God.” So David went down and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-Edom to the City of David with rejoicing. <sup>13</sup>When those who were carrying the ark of the Lord had taken six steps, he sacrificed a bull and a fattened calf. <sup>14</sup>David, wearing a linen ephod, danced before the Lord with all his might, <sup>15</sup>while he and the entire house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouts and the sound of trumpets. <sup>16</sup>As the ark of the Lord was entering the City of David, Michal daughter of Saul watched from a window. And when she saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord, she despised him in her heart. 2 Samuel 6:12-16*

### GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Share with your group your favorite way to worship.
2. How did Aaron define “worship”? How would you define “worship”?
3. Read 2 Samuel 6:1-11. What did the Ark of God represent to the nation of Israel?
4. Have you ever been in a situation that felt unfair or simply unjustified, so you became angry with God? What did you do when this happened?
5. Aaron stated that David lost perspective of God’s greatness and His Power, and so he turned from God for a time. If this has happened at some point in your life (or you are in the midst of this), share your story with your group.
6. Read 2 Samuel 6:12-16. What prompted David to try again to bring the ark back to Jerusalem?

7. Why do you think he was successful this time? (See also 1 Chronicles 15:1-4,11-15.)
8. David’s joy in worshiping God overflowed into dancing; what does it feel like for you when you are enjoying God most? How does it outwardly express itself in your life?
9. Is your worship God-focused or “me”-focused? If it is “me”-focused, what can you do to re-focus your mind’s attention and heart’s affection on God?

**APPLICATION**

Re-read 2 Samuel 6:14. Pray and think through these questions this week:

- Does your sense of pride affect your worship?
- What stops you from worshipping God with “*all your might*”?
- How can you better prepare yourself to worship God both personally and corporately?
- Does your worship please God?

**FOR FURTHER STUDY**

Next week we will look at Michal’s reaction to David’s worship. In preparation, read the following Scripture and record what you learn about Michal.

SCRIPTURE	NOTES
1 Samuel 18:1-30	
1 Samuel 19:1-18	
1 Samuel 25:44	
2 Samuel 3:13-16	
2 Samuel 6:12-23	
1 Samuel 14:49	