

Have you ever been so happy that you couldn't contain your excitement? Has your excitement ever been so overwhelming that all you could do was just dance? This was the situation that David found himself in as described in our verse of the day above.

In the previous chapter, David had inquired of the Lord in prayer concerning whether he should go up after the Philistines in battle, and the Lord answered, giving David specific instructions for the battle. After the Lord gave David the victory, David was able to retrieve the Ark of the Covenant; a symbolic and sacred wooden & golden chest which represented the presence of God to the Israelites.

With great joy for this victory, all David could do was praise the Lord in dance. In verse one of chapter six, we are told that David was in the midst of some thirty-thousand (30,000) men; yet this did not deter, delay, or discourage David from praising God and letting his gratefulness shine through. Furthermore, verse 16 reads, "And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she <u>despised</u> him in her heart." However David could care less about how others felt about his expression of thankfulness regarding his joy for what God had done.

Beloved Child of God, has God done anything for you that is worth celebrating? Are you free in your spirit to praise God? Are you concerned about what others will say about you? Is your ability to be a Christian in these days hindered by what others will think of you? Or are you focused on the only audience which matters, the audience of God? Dance! Sing! Shout! Walk in holiness and love others! Do whatever flows naturally as a result of your thankfulness for what God has done. Now is your time to dance!!!

Your brother in Christ, WNL

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Do not focus on how your praise dance(expression of gratefulness) will look to others, remember, no one knows your testimony like God does.

## PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, please bring to my remembrance some of the amazing things that you have done so that I can shamelessly praise you in spirit and in truth.

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