

**Worship @ 10 am Sunday Mornings in-person at**



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**Children's Church @ 10:15am Sunday Mornings**

(In-person and Virtual Options Available)

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**Hearing God's Word:**



Today in church we will be exploring the story of dancing King David in 2 Samuel 6:1-5; 12b-19. Other scriptures we will be thinking about at church this week include Psalm 24, Ephesians 1:3-14, and Mark 6:14-29.

***Dance with All Your Might***

<sup>2</sup> Then David and all his people went to Baalah in Judah. They took the Ark of the Covenant of God from Baalah in Judah and moved it to Jerusalem. <sup>5</sup> David and all the Israelites were playing all kinds of musical instruments before the Lord. They were made of pine wood. There were lyres, harps, tambourines, rattles and cymbals. <sup>12</sup> The people told David, "The Lord has blessed the family of Obed-Edom. And all his things are blessed. This is because the Ark of the Covenant of God is there." So David went and brought it up from Obed-Edom's house to Jerusalem with joy. <sup>13</sup> When the men carrying the Ark of the Covenant of the Lord had walked six steps, David sacrificed a bull and a fat calf. <sup>14</sup> Then David danced with all his might before the Lord. He had on a holy linen vest. <sup>15</sup> David and all the Israelites shouted with joy. They blew the trumpets as they brought the Ark of the Covenant of the Lord to the city. <sup>17</sup> David put up a tent for the Ark of the Covenant. Then the Israelites put it in its place inside the tent. David offered whole burnt offerings and fellowship offerings before the Lord. <sup>18</sup> When David finished offering the whole burnt offerings and the fellowship offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of heaven's armies.



## Family Discussion:

### A Question for Adults to ask Children:

*Why do you think David celebrated and danced when the Ark of the Lord was brought to Jerusalem?*

The Ark of the Covenant was built to carry the stone tablets, containing the laws that God had written for God's people. God gave instructions to Moses of how it should look (Exodus 25) and you can read about it being constructed in Exodus 37. In 1 Samuel 4 we read about how the Philistines captured the Ark of God, it caused so many problems for them that they returned it and for many years it was kept in the house of a man called Abinadab.

When the Ark of the Lord was brought back to Jerusalem it was a reminder that God was with his people and that God's promises and agreements with his people had not changed.

### A Question for Children to ask Adults:

*What is your favorite way to worship and praise God?*

## A Prayer to Say Together:

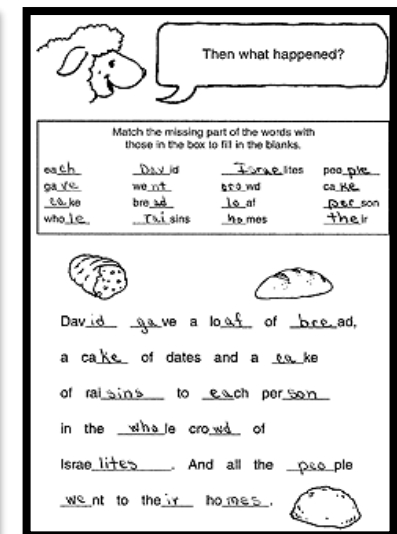
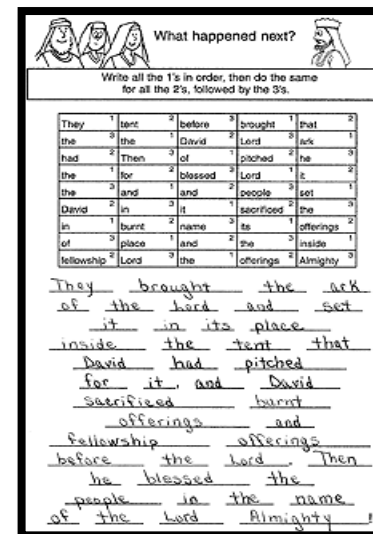
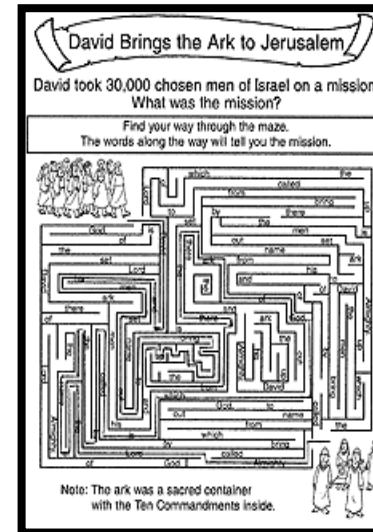
Dear God,

Thank you for the story of David dancing with joy as the Ark of the Covenant returned to Jerusalem. Help us to be worshippers of you, giving you glory and praise for the good things you do in our own lives.

We pray for the leaders in our own lives that they would give themselves whole-heartedly to loving and serving you. Amen.



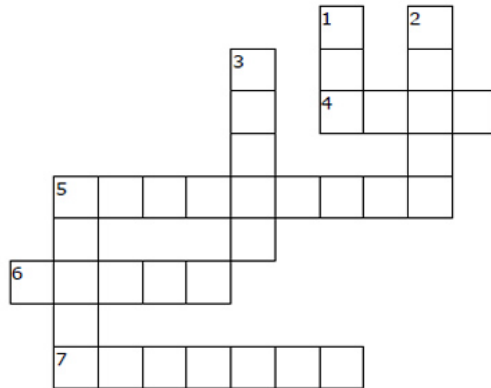
## Answer Key:



# Dance with All Your Might

Wearing a linen ephod, David was dancing before the Lord with all his might. 2 Samuel 6:14 (NIV)

Puzzle is based on 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12-19



## ACROSS

4. A male ruler of a nation
5. To present an animal as an offering to God
6. Not old
7. A high-pitched musical instrument usually made of brass

## DOWN

1. A large, gold-plated box containing the ten commandments
2. To skip, leap, or move to music
3. A shepherd boy who became ruler of Israel
5. To cry out in a loud voice

YOUNG	ARK	SHOUT	KING
SACRIFICE	TRUMPET	DAVID	DANCE

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## Verse of the Day

We are the first people who hoped in Christ, and we were chosen so that we would bring praise to God's glory. ~Ephesians 1:12 (NCV)



## Family Activities:

Here are some activities you can do together as a family and discussion ideas to explore God's word together.

### Family Activity 1:



Play a game of musical statues together, when the music plays everybody should dance and celebrate, when the music stops then everybody should stand still like statues. Take it in turns to control the music and watch to see who is the best at standing still.

### Family Activity 2:

David loved to worship and praise God, in his Psalms he wrote about worshipping God with many different instruments.



Why not create one of these musical instruments from recycled materials?

- Decorate an empty bottle and fill it with dried rice, lentils or pasta to make a shaker.
- Stretch elastic bands of different sizes across an empty pot e.g. butter, ice cream container. Decorate the outside of the container and then pluck on the elastic bands like a harp! Add a tube to turn it into a guitar.
- Fill some empty bottles or jars with different amounts of water, tap them with pencils or spoons and see what different sounds you can make.

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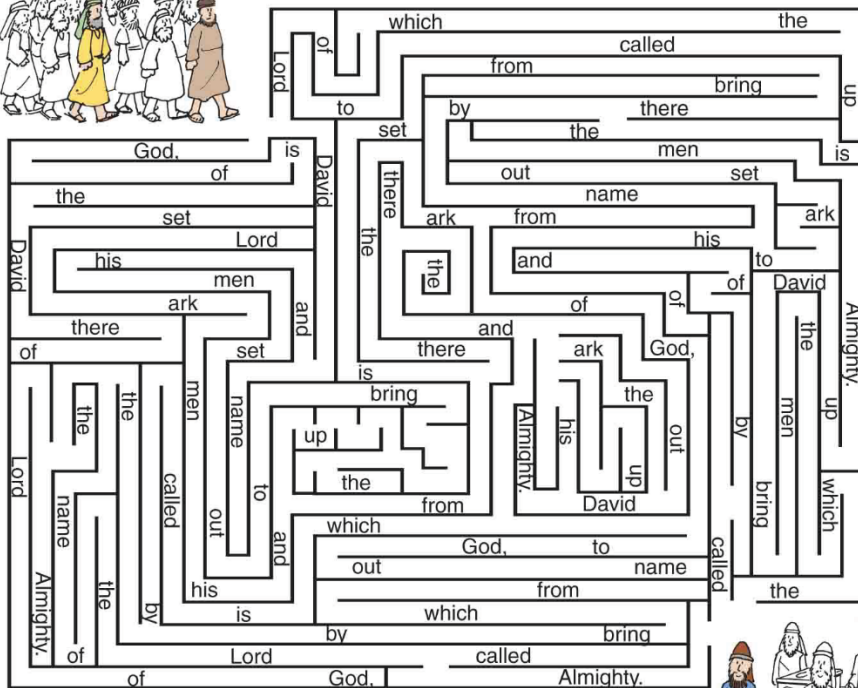
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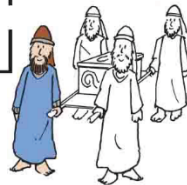
# David Brings the Ark to Jerusalem

David took 30,000 chosen men of Israel on a mission.  
What was the mission?

Find your way through the maze.  
The words along the way will tell you the mission.



Note: The ark was a sacred container  
with the Ten Commandments inside.



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# PUZZLE SHEET

Can you help the Ark of the  
Covenant make it's way through  
the maze and back to  
Jerusalem.

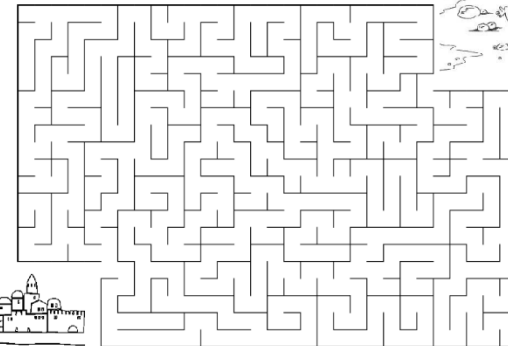


David was the new King  
of God's people.

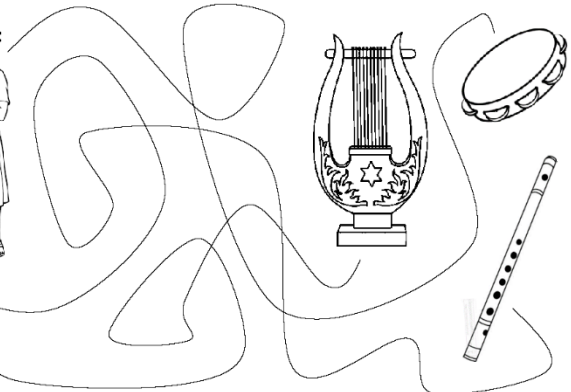
Find the matching  
crowns and colour  
them the same.



Which crown does not  
have a pair?



Can you match the  
musicians to their  
instruments?



Can you find all the words hidden below?

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z a z f f a z a w o r s h i p t f r y n  
b k n x d r m h v m e l a s u r e j a i  
b p o c g p s a q i s l a b m y c i x k  
z z o j e s x h s q d z w k q n a l u g

David worship  
Jerusalem harps  
Ark cymbals  
king dance



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## Active Worship

There are so many different ways that we can show our love for God in worship. How many of these ways could your family try together this week?



Put on a favourite worship song and praise God with music, singing, dancing and instruments.

Get creative together and worship God through crafting, drawing or painting.



Worship God through sharing love and serving others.

Worship God by taking care of God's creation, why not see if you can collect litter in your local area.



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The Ark of the Covenant, also known as the Ark of the Testimony, and in a few verses across various translations of the Bible as the Ark of God is a gold-covered wooden chest with lid cover described in the Book of Exodus as containing the two stone tablets of the Ten Commandments. According to New Testament Book of Hebrews, it also contained Aaron's rod and a pot of manna.

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As they brought the ark into Jerusalem, what did David do?



Add and subtract letters to find out.  
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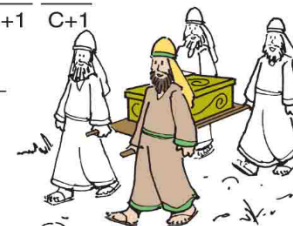
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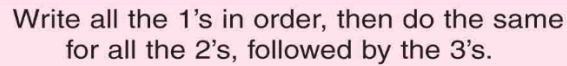
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the <sup>3</sup>	and <sup>1</sup>	and <sup>2</sup>	people <sup>3</sup>	set <sup>1</sup>
David <sup>2</sup>	in <sup>3</sup>	it <sup>1</sup>	sacrificed <sup>2</sup>	the <sup>3</sup>
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Match the missing part of the words with those in the box to fill in the blanks.

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