1 Chronicles 16

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A Tent for the Ark

(2 Samuel 6:17–19)

- ¹And they brought in the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the tent that David had pitched for it, and they offered burnt-offerings and peace-offerings before God. ²And when David had made an end of offering the burnt-offering and the peace-offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD. ³And he dealt to every one of Israel, both man and woman, to every one a loaf of bread, and a cake made in a pan, and a sweet cake.
- ⁴And he appointed certain of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, and to celebrate and to thank and praise the LORD, the God of Israel: ⁵Asaph the chief, and second to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, with psalteries and with harps; and Asaph with cymbals, sounding aloud; ⁶and Benaiah and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually, before the ark of the covenant of God.

David's Psalm of Thanksgiving

(Psalm 105:1–15)

- ⁷Then on that day did David first ordain to give thanks unto the LORD, by the hand of Asaph and his brethren.
- ⁸O give thanks unto the LORD, call upon His name; Make known His doings among the peoples.

- ⁹Sing unto Him, sing praises unto Him; Speak ye of all His marvellous works.
- ¹⁰Glory ye in His holy name; Let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.
- 11Seek ye the LORD and His strength; Seek His face continually.
- 12Remember His marvellous works that He hath done, His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth;
- 13O ye seed of Israel His servant, Ye children of Jacob, His chosen ones.
- 14He is the LORD our God; His judgments are in all the earth.
- ¹⁵Remember His covenant for ever, The word which He commanded to a thousand generations;
- 16[The covenant] which He made with Abraham, And His oath unto Isaac;
- ¹⁷And He established it unto Jacob for a statute, To Israel for an everlasting covenant;
- 18 Saying: 'Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, The lot of your inheritance.'
- 19When ye were but a few men in number, Yea, very few, and sojourners in it,
- ²⁰And when they went about from nation to nation, And from one kingdom to another people,
- ²¹He suffered no man to do them wrong, Yea, for their sake He reproved kings:
- 22 Touch not Mine anointed ones, And do My prophets no harm.'

Sing to the LORD, All the Earth

(Psalm 96:1–13)

- ²³Sing unto the LORD, all the earth; Proclaim His salvation from day to day.
- ²⁴Declare His glory among the nations, His marvellous works among all the peoples.
- ²⁵For great is the LORD, and highly to be praised; He also is to be feared above all gods.
- ²⁶For all the gods of the peoples are things of nought; But the LORD made the heavens.
- ²⁷Honour and majesty are before Him; Strength and gladness are in His place.
- ²⁸Ascribe unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the peoples, Ascribe unto the LORD glory and strength.
- ²⁹Ascribe unto the LORD the glory due unto His name; Bring an offering, and come before Him; Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 30Tremble before Him, all the earth; The world also is established that it cannot be moved.
- 31Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; And let them say among the nations: `The LORD reigneth.'

- 32Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof; Let the field exult, and all that is therein;
- ³³Then shall the trees of the wood sing for joy, Before the LORD, for He is come to judge the earth.
- 34O give thanks unto the LORD; for He is good; For His mercy endureth for ever.
- 35And say ye: 'Save us, O God of our salvation, And gather us together and deliver us from the nations, That we may give thanks unto Thy holy name, That we may triumph in Thy praise.'
- ³⁶Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, From everlasting even to everlasting. And all the people said: 'Amen,' and praised the LORD.

Worship before the Ark

- ³⁷So he left there, before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required; ³⁸and Obed-edom with their brethren, threescore and eight; Obed-edom also the son of Jedithun and Hosah to be door-keepers; ³⁹and Zadok the priest, and his brethren the priests, before the tabernacle of the LORD in the high place that was at Gibeon, ⁴⁰to offer burnt-offerings unto the LORD upon the altar of burnt-offering continually morning and evening, even according to all that is written in the Law of the LORD, which He commanded unto Israel; ⁴¹and with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were mentioned by name, to give thanks to the LORD, because His mercy endureth for ever; ⁴²and with them Heman and Jeduthun, to sound aloud with trumpets and cymbals, and with instruments for the songs of God; and the sons of Jeduthun to be at the gate.
- 43And all the people departed every man to his house; and David returned to bless his house.