

# GROUPS

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FLEX WEEK: 08/30/2026 - PASTOR MIKE WILSON

## MAIN IDEA

HAVE A HEART FOR WHAT'S HOLY

## TALK ABOUT IT

**Ice Breaker:** What's something you get genuinely excited about, excited that other people might think you're a little over-the-top? What brings that kind of passion out of you?

1. Read 2 Samuel 6:1-8, What do you think was good and sincere about David and Israel's desire to bring the Ark back to Jerusalem? What might their excitement have caused them to overlook?
2. What emotions or questions does Uzzah's death stir up in you? What does your reaction reveal about how you tend to understand God's holiness?
3. Uzzah had lived around the Ark for years. How can familiarity with God, church, Scripture, or Christian practices actually become a spiritual danger?
4. The sermon contrasted passion without holiness with reverence without passion. Which side of that tension do you naturally lean toward, and what do you think has shaped that tendency in you?
5. Read 2 Samuel 6:12-15 - David's second attempt combines careful obedience with extravagant celebration. What does this teach us about the relationship between reverence and passionate worship? Why shouldn't one eliminate the other?
6. Read 2 Samuel 6:12-23 - Michal looked at David's worship with contempt. What are some subtle ways we can compare, evaluate, or judge other people's relationship with God? What might that reveal about our own hearts?
7. Why can public worship sometimes be easier than private surrender? What does private surrender require from us that a Sunday worship service might not?
8. If worship is a response to who God is, what does our worship reveal about what we believe God is actually worth to us? Consider not only singing, but how we spend our time, money, attention, energy, and obedience.
9. The sermon repeatedly returned to the idea of wonder, not losing our sense of awe at who God is. What tends to steal your wonder of God? What helps restore it, and what might God be inviting you to change so that awe of Him becomes more than a Sunday experience?

## KEY SCRIPTURES

1 CHRONICLES 16:23-36 & 2 SAMUEL 6:1-23

## REFLECT

- Where have you noticed yourself becoming more familiar with God than amazed by Him? What might that reveal about what has been shaping your view of Him lately?
- When you think about the way you relate to God when no one else is watching, what feels most different from the way you express your faith publicly? Why do you think that difference exists?

## RESPOND

- What is one area of your life where God may be asking you to move from simply knowing about Him to responding to Him with greater reverence, trust, or obedience? What would that look like this week?
- What is one intentional practice you could embrace this week to cultivate greater wonder of God—not just during worship on Sunday, but in the ordinary moments of your life?

## NEXT STEPS

- **ENCOUNTER:**
  - Join us at one of our Sunday services 8:30am, 10am and 11:30am
- **EXPERIENCE:**
  - Seasonal Groups Kickoff - September 15 at 6pm in the Worship Center
- **EXPAND**
  - Take some time this week to pray for our global and local outreach ministries