

Introduction to The Tabernacle of David

Acts 15:16-17 ¹⁶ 'After this I will return And will rebuild the tabernacle of David, which has fallen down; I will rebuild its ruins, And I will set it up; ¹⁷ So that the rest of mankind may seek the LORD, Even all the Gentiles who are called by My name, Says the LORD who does all these things.' (NKJV)

I. Context:

II. What is the Tabernacle of David?

A. Tabernacle ...

B. Home for the Ark of the Covenant - the _____

C. ... of David

III. History and establishing of David's tabernacle

A. Ark was lost to the Philistines as a result of a self indulgent priesthood - (1 Samuel 2:12; 3:12-13; 4:16-17)

B. God plagues the Philistines, they send the ark back - (1 Samuel 5-6)

C. Ark rests at Abinadab's house for 20 years - (1 Samuel 7:1-2)

D. David wants the ark back, but _____

1. God given _____

2. Human plans _____

3. The oxcart thing -

a) A new oxcart ...

b) Driven by _____ and _____

c) Threshing floor of _____

E. David gets the ark back - _____

1. God's pattern always brings _____!

2. _____ - parallel passage

3. Ark accompanied by _____ - two elements:

a) _____

b) _____

4. Ark accompanied by _____!

F. David did many NEW things in establishing the tabernacle for the ark:

1. A New _____:

2. A New _____:

3. A New _____:

4. A New _____:

5. A New _____:

G. King David received a "New Testament" prophetic revelation that what God wanted was not _____ (ordained under Moses), but the _____ (instituted by David).

1. Established principles of _____ worship

H. 14 Principles incorporated by David - many for the first time in history

1. Preparing a place (1 Chronicles 15:3)
2. The Levitical priesthood (1 Chronicles 15:11-13)
3. Gathering together (1 Chronicles 15:3-11)
4. Sanctification (1 Chronicles 15:14-15)
5. The concerted sound (1 Chronicles 15:16-24)
6. Chief musician (1 Chronicles 15:22)
7. Sacrifice of praise (1 Chronicles 15:25-28)
8. Prophetic song (1 Chronicles 16:8-36)
9. Congregational response in pageantry (2 Chronicles 29:28-31)
10. Recording (1 Chronicles 16:4)
11. Apprenticeship (1 Chronicles 25:6-8)
12. Instruction (1 Chronicles 25)
13. Ministry by rotation (1 Chronicles 25:8)
14. Festival worship (1 Chronicles 15:28; 23:5; Psalms 122; 42)

IV. Differences between David's and Moses' tabernacle

A. Spontaneous _____ vs. prescribed _____

B. _____ vs. _____

C. Priests focus on ministry _____ vs. ministry

V. How does this affect us?

A. If, as it says in Acts 15:16-17, God is rebuilding the tabernacle of David, and if He meant it when He said "I will set it up so that the rest of mankind may seek the LORD, even all the Gentiles who are called by My name," - then God's plan for _____ is first to restore to the Church the principles of:

1.

2.

3.