

DOING IT GOD'S WAY

How To RESPOND After You've Done WRONG

2 Samuel 6: 8-11; Selected Scriptures

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1. You need to check your REACTIONS when God DISCIPLINES you for doing WRONG.

2 Samuel 6:8-9 (NLT2) – David was angry because the LORD's anger had burst out against Uzzah. He named that place Perez-uzzah (which means "to burst out against Uzzah"), as it is still called today. ⁹ David was now afraid of the LORD, and he asked, "How can I ever bring the Ark of the LORD back into my care?"

A. Don't become ANGRY.

2 Samuel 6:8 (NLT2) – David was angry because the LORD's anger had burst out against Uzzah. He named that place Perez-uzzah (which means "to burst out against Uzzah"), as it is still called today.

B. Don't become AFRAID.

2 Samuel 6:9 (NLT2) – David was now afraid of the LORD, and he asked, "How can I ever bring the Ark of the LORD back into my care?"

2. You need to make sure you don't DOUBT what GOD can do because of the WRONG you've DONE.

2 Samuel 6:9-10 (NLT2) – David was now afraid of the LORD, and he asked, "How can I ever bring the Ark of the LORD back into my care?" ¹⁰ So David decided not to move the Ark of the LORD into the City of David. Instead, he took it to the house of Obed-edom of Gath.

3. You need to realize when you OBEY God He can BLESS you ANYWHERE and at ANYTIME.

2 Samuel 6:10-11 (NLT2) – So David decided not to move the Ark of the LORD into the City of David. Instead, he took it to the house of Obed-edom of Gath. ¹¹ The Ark of the LORD remained there in Obed-edom's house for three months, and the LORD blessed Obed-edom and his entire household.

L.I.F.E. Group Questions

1. Who do you know who got caught doing wrong and responded the *wrong* way? What made how they responded wrong?
2. Who do you know who got caught doing wrong and responded the *right* way? What made how they responded right?
3. Is it easy or difficult for people to admit they've done wrong? Explain
4. How do you react when you get caught doing wrong?
5. Why do you think David reacted the way he did to the death of Uzzah?
6. What was God's response to David's anger and fear? Why?
7. If you had been present on the day of Uzzah's death, how would you have felt about moving the ark any further?
8. How hard is it to trust what God told you to do when things don't go well?
9. How encouraging is it to know God can bless you anywhere and at any time?
10. What can you do this week to obey God in an area of your life where you have previously disobeyed Him?