

Rebuilding and Reproducing Your Ruins

Psalm 132:1-5 AMPC

[1] LORD, earnestly remember to David's credit all his humiliations and hardships and endurance-- [2] How he swore to the Lord and vowed to the Mighty One of Jacob: [3] Surely I will not enter my dwelling house or get into my bed-- [4] I will not permit my eyes to sleep or my eyelids to slumber, [5] Until I have found a place for the Lord, a habitation for the Mighty One of Jacob.

1 Chronicles 29:2-5 AMPC

[2] So I have provided with all my might for the house of my God the gold for things to be of gold, silver for things of silver, bronze for things of bronze, iron for things of iron, and wood for things of wood, as well as onyx or beryl stones, stones to be set, stones of antimony, stones of various colors, and all sorts of precious stones, and marble stones in abundance. [3] Moreover, because I have set my affection on the house of my God, in addition to all I have prepared for the holy house, I have a private treasure of gold and silver which I give for the house of my God: [4] It is 3,000 talents of gold, gold of Ophir, 7,000 talents of refined silver for overlaying the walls of the house, [5] Gold for the uses of gold, silver for the uses of silver, and for every work to be done by craftsmen. Now who will offer willingly to fill his hand and consecrate it today to the Lord like one consecrating himself to the priesthood?

The total of gold and silver King David gave to build God's house was 100 billion dollars. David's vow positioned his heart to receive revelation and new insight into worship as it is in God's sanctuary. David made the vow that changed history. A vow dedicated to find a dwelling place for the Ark of the Covenant according to **Psalms 132:1-5**.

David establishes 4000 musicians, 288 singers, and 4000 gatekeepers. He financed 10,000 people to be full time staff to facilitate worship and offerings unto God.

It was an extravagant commitment to a God who showed David extravagant intimate love for him and the outcast.

God wants to show us His extravagant love through what the Bible calls the Tabernacle of David or the Tent of David. This kind of love is extravagant and passionate and intense because it focuses on the outcast, the rejects. It focuses on the illegitimate and the broken hearted.

The Tabernacle of David means four important teaching principles:

1. It was the tent that housed the Ark of the Covenant. This was a separate tabernacle from the Tabernacle of Moses. This tent was the place of the Ark for 33 years while the rest of the tabernacle furniture remained in Shiloh.
2. The Tabernacle of David represented David's extravagant worship system that God patterns His Kingdom after.
3. The Tabernacle of David was also Jesus Christ who tabernacle amongst us as God manifested in the flesh to activate power and authority on earth through Calvary.
4. The Tabernacle of David is you and I. We are the ruins of David being restored from our past, our wounds and our defeats by the born again transforming power of Jesus Christ.

We need to look at this tonight because of the end time prophecy of **Acts 15:15** and **Amos 9:11** which speaks of God raising the ruins of the Tabernacle of David up through you and me.

David tabernacle is described as ruins because God amplifies His love and mercy through people who are outcast and downtrodden.

Especially during end time events. Apparently God is going to use the ruins of David against last day evil to advance His Kingdom.

David was an outcast and considered illegitimate. So He reached out to the outcast according to **1 Sam. 22:2**.

The Tabernacle of David sets a new bar level for extravagant love. It creates a Kingdom Community Culture unlike any other kingdom here on earth.

The Tabernacle of David gives us an identity and destiny that comes from God extravagant love for the ruins of David. It puts a greater seriousness and fear of God upon us when we see the great extravagance of love and sacrifice David gives his God.

This model of extravagant love seeks to train and change our orphan like attitudes into the royalty of His beauty.

God uses David's entire life to show us the extravagance of His love for us:

- ✦ He is said to have been born into illegitimacy. This was a label over him throughout his childhood.
- ✦ David experienced great rejection from both his parents and his own brothers.
- ✦ David was chased for seven years by King Saul with the threat of dying every day. God chiseled His extravagant love for David through the fear of dying.
- ✦ David faced great loneliness on the back side of a mountain caring for sheep.
- ✦ Every conceivable emotion and human experience David went through became his motivation for giving God extravagant affection and worship.
- ✦ God promised to build the Messianic bloodline of Jesus Christ off the throne of David in **Isaiah 9:6-7 AMPC**

[6] For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father of Eternity, Prince of Peace. [7] Of the increase of His government and of peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from the latter time forth, even forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.

God is telling us to pursue and measure our human experiences for extravagant love from David and not anybody else. In other words it's time to raise the bar level of what we call extravagant love to David's level, because we are His offspring and ruins of His Kingdom.

David offered up another kind of worship and love. It was not connected to how well his day went. Or how he felt for the day. Or how others treated him. David's worship and cultural affection was connected to two things.

1. His deep illegitimate rejection and
2. God's extravagant beauty. David was driven by two polar opposites in his worship.

Isaiah 16:5 shows is the power of the ruins of David you and I need to embrace.

[5] Then in mercy and loving-kindness shall a throne be established, and One shall sit upon it in truth and faithfulness in the tent of David, judging and seeking justice and being swift to do righteousness.

God purifies my motives by giving us His extravagant beauty when we seek being restored by the ruins of David. Our human spirit brings personality baggage into the church that can only be transformed by this kind of extravagant love.

David's extravagant passion replaces the intense emotional trauma from our passion, because you now seek and preoccupy these same emotional experiences with how David saw his God. God's extravagant love produced David's extravagant sacrifices

David compares the Tabernacle of Moses with the Tabernacle of David in **Psalms 51**:

Psalms 51:15-17 AMPC

[15] O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall show forth Your praise. [16] For You delight not in sacrifice, or else would I give it; You find no pleasure in burnt offering. [17] My sacrifice the sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart broken down with sorrow for sin and humbly and thoroughly penitent, such, O God, You will not despise.

What you see here is a place called Naples where they offer 500,000 animals to the goddess Gas-hi-mai. David said as expensive and bloody and serious are the animal deaths you require, You are near us, to people who treat obedience to intimate love more valuable. David again is setting a new bar level for how we should love God and sacrifice in crucified love for each other. David received His strength to die and suffer for others in the Tabernacle of David.

He says in **Psalm 27:5-8 AMPC**

[5] For in the day of trouble He will hide me in His shelter; in the secret place of His tent will He hide me; He will set me high upon a rock. [6] And now shall my head be lifted up above my enemies round about me; in His tent I will offer sacrifices and shouting of joy; I will sing, yes, I will sing praises to the Lord. [7] Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; have mercy and be gracious to me and answer me! [8] You have said, Seek My face inquire for and require My presence as your vital need. My heart says to You, Your face (Your presence), Lord, will I seek, inquire for, and require of necessity and on the authority of Your Word.

You cannot sacrifice and long suffer without the strength of the Lord. Yet, some of you are trying to do just that. So when I truly buy into this identity that comes from the ruins of David it's supposed to change how I react to relational conflict.

Because God's extravagant love says you no longer have a right to react like the Beverly Hillbillies who moved to California and don't know how to act in the mansion of God.

This identity of serious extravagant intimacy opens up new doors for creative ideas.

- ✘ For future prophecies.
- ✘ For healing in our homes.
- ✘ For favor on our jobs.
- ✘ For power to pray over the sick.

David was a mighty warrior who conquered many, many battles because of his extravagant commitment to the Tabernacle of David. David's passion for being a soul winner came from the Tabernacle of David.

God is very jealous and picky over rebuilding you as David's ruins tonight. God cares about the little habits in your life right now because His extravagance is retraining the way you think about yourself. He is trying to get you ready for the next level through practicing and living the Tabernacle of David, in the end times. He said He will raise us up. Here is the scripture proof.

Deuteronomy 23:13-14 AMPC

[13] And you shall have a paddle or shovel among your weapons, and when you sit down outside to relieve yourself, you shall dig a hole with it and turn back and cover up what has come from you. [14] For the Lord your God walks in the midst of your camp to deliver you and to give up your enemies before you. Therefore shall your camp be holy, that He may see nothing indecent among you and turn away from you.

God is looking for a sacrifice of obedient worship. One that stretches after God. When there is a cost in your energy level.

- ✘ A cost for preparing your mind for the things of God.
- ✘ A cost with your time.
- ✘ A cost with your money.
- ✘ A cost of your talents and gifts.
- ✘ A cost of your will in relational sacrificing. In long suffering for others.

In the Swiss Alps there is a little mountain day camp for rookie climbers. Many businesses go there and take their employees for an outing. What they do is this; they start early in the morning and load all their climbing gear and then they'll start to climb and get halfway up a mountain to a place there called "the halfway house". They get there around noon. They take off their gear, go in for a warm meal, and sit in front of a beautiful fire place. It's a beautiful environment. The trip sponsors say that, every time, without exception, when it's time to strap their gear back on after they've had lunch, they lose half their people. Half of them become content to stay and never complete the journey. They're happy only going half way up. So they stay in the half way house and lounge around playing games and singing by the piano. Then around four o'clock in the afternoon, they all hear a bell outside. They walk over to the big window that faces the mountain. That's when they see their friends submitting that mountain. The hosts in the half way house say that the party atmosphere turns instantly into a funeral atmosphere, because now the people who decided to stay halfway realize that the ones who decided to keep going have had an experience of a lifetime, while they stayed behind, complacent and settled. Now they wish they can be celebrating on the mountain top too...but it's too late.

This is a picture of how life can be. Remember that regarding where you are now, no matter how good or bad it may be, **God always has something bigger and better for you.** Don't get too comfortable with where you are or let fear or apathy or complacency leave you frozen and reluctant to do greater. Get your gear back on get back out there and climb that mountain towards the tabernacle of David.

Amos 6:1 says 'woe to them who are ease in Zion.'

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; He will never leave you or forsake you.

Deuteronomy 31:6

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