



Before the THRONE

The Devotional

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2 Samuel 6:10

“So David would not move the ark of the Lord with him into the city of David; but David took it aside into the house of Obed-Edom the Gittite.” 2 Samuel 6:10

David desires a good thing, but endeavors to accomplish it without following his usual habit of “inquiring of the Lord.” When David faced battle he always sought the mind of the Lord. However, in this setting of a religious nature David makes an assumption that costs a friend his life and brings public humiliation to the king.

It is interesting to note that Christians will often listen to the word of a lawyer, a doctor, a politician or media personality before they will listen to the scriptures or the godly counsel of their pastor or other spiritual leaders. Why do you suppose this is? Because we believe, (or should that read), because we assume, that we understand the things of God and have no need for someone else’s input into our lives? Pride is a dangerous thing!

Sincerity of heart is a quality of character that is priceless. However, sincerity is not a substitute for a personal relationship with God through the Lord Jesus Christ. Many people are sincere in their beliefs but they are sincerely wrong! “For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For they, being ignorant of God’s righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.” (Romans 10:2-3) Make it your habit, even in the smallest of things, to “inquire of the Lord.”

Never assume upon the Lord!