



Before the THRONE

The Devotional

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2 Samuel 6:13

“And so it was, when those who were bearing the ark of the LORD had gone six paces, that he sacrificed oxen and fatted sheep.” 2 Samuel 6:13

After three months of waiting upon God David has a revelation from the word of God that would, even today, transform every believer – the Lord’s presence rests upon and within His people, not in buildings or upon things!

Emphasis upon church buildings, artifacts, or places may satisfy the religious nature of man but it will never satisfy the longing of his heart for communion with his God!

The pride of man is fed and often nurtured in the middle of religious service. David’s sacrifice every six paces reminds us that the flesh of man (the number six speaking of man), must be constantly brought under obedience to the Spirit. “For if you live after the flesh, you shall die; but if you through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, you shall live.” (Romans 8:13)

This daily – moment by moment – mortifying or bringing to death the deeds of the flesh, a choice on our parts, releases the enablement of the Holy Spirit. “They that are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.” (Galatians 5:25)

The progress may appear far too slow – six paces at a time – but never forget, the LORD is not interested in hastily preformed duty, but rather obedience that is thorough and heartfelt! “I beseech you therefore brethren by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.” (Romans 12:1)