

Creating A Place for God

Ex 25:17-22 - *"Make an atonement cover of pure gold--two and a half cubits long and a cubit and a half wide. 18 And make two cherubim out of hammered gold at the ends of the cover. 19 Make one cherub on one end and the second cherub on the other; make the cherubim of one piece with the cover, at the two ends. 20 The cherubim are to have their wings spread upward, overshadowing the cover with them. The cherubim are to face each other, looking toward the cover. 21 Place the cover on top of the ark and put in the ark the Testimony, which I will give you. 22 There, above the cover between the two cherubim that are over the ark of the Testimony, **I will meet with you and give you all my commands** for the Israelites.*

- **We are responsible for building God a place of worship where He desires to remain.**

Visitation is **temporal** habitation is for a **lifetime**.

If we are going to experience a habitation of the Holy Spirit in our church it will take changes in **leadership** with **new wineskins**.

Our flesh doesn't like the anointing; it is uncomfortable in any place where God shows up.

- **God will not interrupt where He is not invited.**

VALUING THE PRESENCE

2 Sam 6:16-19 - *As the ark of the LORD was entering the City of David, Michal daughter of Saul watched from a window. And when she saw King David leaping and dancing before the LORD, she despised him in her heart. 17 They brought the ark of the LORD and set it in its place inside the tent that David had pitched for it, and David sacrificed burnt offerings and fellowship offerings before the LORD. 18 After he had finished sacrificing the burnt offerings and fellowship offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD Almighty. 19 Then he gave a loaf of bread, a cake of dates and a cake of raisins to each person in the whole crowd of Israelites, both men and women. And all the people went to their homes.*

- **The King feeds His people within the presence of God.**

2 Sam 6:20 - *When David returned home to bless his household, Michal daughter of Saul came out to meet him and said, "How the king of Israel has distinguished himself today, disrobing in the sight of the slave girls of his servants as any vulgar fellow would!" 21 David said to Michal, "**It was before the LORD, who chose me rather than your father or anyone from his house when he appointed me ruler over the LORD's people Israel-I will celebrate before the LORD.** 22 I will become even **more undignified** than this, and I will be **humiliated in my own eyes**. But by these slave girls you spoke of, I will be held in honor." 23 And Michal daughter of Saul had no children to the day of her death. NIV*

- **Barrenness is a byproduct of rejecting undignified worship.**

Barrenness results in: Failure to reproduce; lost opportunities to nurture life; you may feel the presence at times, but you lose the ability to take it home.

God requires only **purity of heart, unity** and **humility**.