

Biblical Drama based on 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 6:1-5, 16-22
Character Parts: Narrators 1-7, Elder, Leader, David, Dancer, Michal

Narrator 1: Israel's leaders met with David at Hebron and made an agreement, asking the LORD to be their witness. They poured olive oil on David's head, anointing him to show that he was now the king of Israel.

Elder: With this oil, we anoint David as our king!
Long live the king!

Leader: In times past, when Saul was king over us, it was you who led out and brought in Israel. And the LORD said to you, "You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over Israel."

Elder: God bless King David!

David: Thank you for your support. Together we will march up to Jerusalem and capture the city! May God give us victory!

Narrator 2: King David and his army made a surprise attack on the city by sneaking in through the water shafts below the city. When he conquered the city, he made Jerusalem his capital.

David: Now that we have the city, we should bring up the Ark of the Covenant with the Ten Commandments. It should be brought to Jerusalem, so that we can worship the LORD!

Narrator 3: The journey of the Ark became a parade. The priests brought the Ark on an ox cart, as people were playing music on small harps and other stringed instruments, as well as tambourines, castanets, and cymbals. Everyone was happy, dancing for the LORD with all their might.

Dancer: (*dancing*) Come on, everyone! This is a day of celebration!

David: (*joining the dance*) Praise the LORD for giving us this victory!

Narrator 4: Meanwhile, Saul's daughter Michal looked out her window and watched the chest being brought into David's City. When she saw David jumping and dancing for the LORD, she was disgusted.

Michal: Look at him! He calls himself king, but he acts like a common peasant!

Narrator 5: Inside the city, David had the Ark set up inside a tent, where he worshiped the LORD with sacrifices on an altar. Then he blessed the people in the name of the LORD.

David: May God bless us all and make us into a great nation!

Narrator 6: After this, David went home to ask the LORD to bless his family. But Saul's daughter Michal went out and started yelling at him.

Michal: You embarrassed yourself today! You acted like a fool, dancing around half-naked in front of your servant girls.

David: Who are you to talk? The LORD didn't want your father or anyone else in your family to be the leader of his people. The LORD chose me, and I was celebrating in honor of God. I'll show you just how great I can be!

Michal: You disgust me!

David: Maybe so. I never said that I was worthy. But no matter what you say, the people and those servant girls you talked about will still honor me!

Narrator 7: David ruled for many years from his palace in Jerusalem.