**Notes**

****October 1st, 2017**



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Part 2

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Welcome

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*‘Tough and Tender’*

**David: the ‘tough’ and ‘tender’ King**

* David the ‘beloved’ came to prominence as Israel’s 2nd king (after Saul) in 10th Century BC.

 -Enjoyed spiritual encounters in solitude and obscurity with God through worship.

 *“The Lord is my shepherd” – Psalm 23*

* This private ‘center’ to his life served him well in many later trials and challenges.

As a ‘tender’ teenager, he stands up where tougher, older men would not, and takes on Goliath, the giant.

David’s ministry **to the Lord** in worship served as the foundation to his **ministry to God’s people** and then his **warfare towards his enemies**

As king, David never forsook his ‘abandonment’ in worship,
and even **danced** in public:

**God is the God of celebration…too**

No room for an incorrect understanding of holiness that lacks historical perspective.

 Israel’s worship history

 The church birthed in abandoned celebration

 Church history has ‘developed’ various musical styles

 Choirs, Salvation Army bands, electric guitars & drums

**What does abandonment look like to you?**

**Psalm 150:3-5**

**What’s the difference…and does it really matter**

It’s not sound level nor tempo of music…although that can play a part

 (Emotion is a **legitimate** part of our makeup)

Thanksgiving / Praise / Worship

**‘Thanksgiving’**:

 *Giving thanks to God with our voice for* ***what He has done***

*on our behalf.*

(Eg. For sending Jesus to die for our sins, for helping us in distress…)

**‘Praise’**:

 *To express admiration of who God is: His nature and qualities*.

(His holy and pure nature, patience, mercy, kindness…)

**“Worship”** is:

 *The personal adoration of God face to face.*

(A level of intimate relationship where the focus is entirely on the majesty of His being)

**All of these can involve**

Singing / Music / Clapping / Shouting

Physical postures: bowing, dancing, prostration…

**The church, any church, exists to:**

1. Minister to the Lord: (upward) **Proverbs 29:1-2**
2. Minister to one another: (sideward) **Ephesians 4:15-16**
3. Minister to the lost: (outward) **Mark 16:15**
4. Ministering the defeat of satan and His kingdom: (downward)

**Matthew 16:18b-19**

**Final Take Away & Communion**

When you feel under attack, your worship is an act of warfare

**Acts 4:24-26**