**Notes**

****October 8th, 2017**



**Worshippers and Warriors**

Part 3

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Welcome

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*“Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness‘’*

**Review:**

David had a covenant with God and knew it…

 …Goliath did not, and did not know it

 Worshipped and served false gods violently opposed to God’s people – bent on their destruction

 (Ashtoreth, Dagon, and Baal-Zebub)

It’s the truth you know and apply that makes you free. **John 8:31-32**

**Another peek into David’s life**

David’s private life of devotion to the Lord was the platform for his public calling and success … yet what happened with Bathsheba?

**2 Samuel 11:1-2**

Everything depends on how you see things

Answer to the question:

**2 Samuel 11:27b**

*But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord.*

**Backing up a bit in the narrative**

David had become God’s appointed leader in the nation after Saul

He built it up, and even established worship as the central focus

David’s Tabernacle.

 (Worship even included in the budget).

David stepped up into a realm of faith, and a direct approach to God that surpassed the conventional doctrine and approach of the day.

 (The Mosaic Law: rules & regs. / animal sacrifice / priesthood)

**David recognized God’s holiness**

**1 Chronicles 16:29** (– a psalm of David before he fell)

*Give unto the Lord the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.*

* Worship was to be willing – something we give freely.
* Worship was to be fitting – God is worthy, it is His due.
* Worship was to be offered in faith – as we come before Him.
* Worship that recognizes His Lordship – He is the King, not us.

*Worship that transforms us as we behold the*

*beauty of* ***His*** *holiness*

(It cannot be our holiness: that always falls short!)

**Isaiah 64:6**

*But we are all like an unclean thing,
And* ***all*** *our* ***righteousnesses****are like filthy rags;*

The priest were to wear linen garments that did not cause ‘sweat’

(sweat is evidence of our own efforts) **Ezekiel 44:17-18**

**Some pesky questions?**

What are we really doing?

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Do we esteem worship as a vital foundation for a fruitful and fulfilling life?

**To wrap up:**

**David’s repentance opened the door to God’s redemption**

1. God is extremely merciful in making bad situations into good.

2. He accepts worship from imperfect worshippers.

**Final Take Away & Communion**

**History’s perspective:**

**Acts 13:22**

*He raised up for them David as king, to whom also He gave testimony and said, ‘I have found David the son of Jesse,* ***a man after My own heart****, who will do all My will.’*

**Be careful who you write off, … most of all yourself**

**The cross cleanses everything**