

PORTRAITS — Group Guide



1 Chronicles 13:1-6

David conferred with each of his officers, the commanders of thousands and commanders of hundreds. ² He then said to the whole assembly of Israel, "If it seems good to you and if it is the will of the LORD our God, let us send word far and wide to the rest of our people throughout the territories of Israel, and also to the priests and Levites who are with them in their towns and pasturelands, to come and join us. 3 Let us bring the ark of our God back to us, for we did not inquire of it during the reign of Saul." ⁴ The whole assembly agreed to do this, because it seemed right to all the people.

⁵ So David assembled all Israel, from the Shihor River in Egypt to Lebo Hamath, to bring the ark of God from Kiriath Jearim. ⁶ David and all Israel went to Baalah of Judah (Kiriath Jearim) to bring up from there the ark of God the LORD, who is enthroned between the cherubim—the ark that is called by the Name.

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- 1. Who is your favourite person in the Bible, other than Jesus? Share who and why that person is your favourite.
- 2. Read through the following key moments leading up to David becoming king. Then, discuss what you learn about him from these passages.
 - 1 Samuel 13:14
 - 1 Samuel 16:1-13, 16:14-23, and Acts 13:22
 - 1 Samuel 17:45-47
 - Psalm 27:4
- 3. Read 1 Chronicles 13:1-6.
 - David has just been crowned king. As he begins his reign in 1 Chronicles 13, what do you notice about how he starts?
 - Why is it significant that David begins here as compared to somewhere else?
- 4. How do you define unity? Now, consider how the Bible defines it by reading from John 17:20-24 and Ephesians 4:1-3.
- 5. The ark was a box that represented God's presence among his people and his throne on earth. How does David's desire to bring the ark back match God's desire to be with his people? Consider Psalm 132:5 and Psalm 132:13-14.
- 6. Discuss the statement: *We need to be most concerned with the attendance of one person: Jesus.*
- 7. What did you learn from David's life that you can apply to your own life? Share what that is and how you envision implementing it this week.







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