

“A Place for the Lord”
Psalm 132:1-5

Introduction: In verse five, we see David’s burden to find a permanent place for the Lord. Notice the many places that the Lord has abode before David wanted a temple for the Lord to dwell in.

1. In the Garden Genesis 3:8- *“And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.”*
2. In the Bush Exodus 3:4- *“And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I.”*
3. In the Tabernacle Exodus 40:34-35- *“Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle.”*
4. In the Temple Psalm 11:4- *“The LORD is in his holy temple, the LORD’S throne is in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.”*
II Chronicles 7:1- *“Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the house.”*

Body: Will you help to find a permanent place for the Lord in your:

- I. Heart I Corinthians 3:16- *“Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?”*
 - A. The Prayer of Paul
 1. The Burden Ephesians 3:14- *“For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ”*
 2. The Blessing Ephesians 3:17- *“That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love”*
 - B. The Possession of People Colossians 1:27- *“To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory”*
 1. This Heart Should be Sanctified I Peter 3:15- *“But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear”*
 2. This Heart Should be Surrendered Matthew 22:37-38- *“Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment.”*
 3. This Heart Should be Singing Ephesians 5:19- *“Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord”*

4. This Heart Should be Scriptural Colossians 3:16- *“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.”*

II. Home Deuteronomy 6:1-12, 20

- A. The Devotion in the Home—Altar Deuteronomy 6:6-7- *“And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.”*
- B. The Description in the Home—Awareness Psalm 127:1- *“Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the LORD keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain.”*
- C. The Duties in the Home—Arrangement
1. God is over Christ I Corinthians 11:3- *“...and the head of Christ is God.”*
 2. Christ is over the Man I Corinthians 11:3- *“But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ...”*
 3. Man is over the Woman I Corinthians 11:3- *“...and the head of the woman is the man...”*
 4. Parents are over the Children Ephesians 6:1- *“Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.”*
Colossians 3:20- *“Children, obey your parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.”*
- D. The Disobedience in the Home—Attitude Colossians 3:19- *“Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them.”*
- E. The Dating and the Home—Abstinence I Corinthians 7:1-2- *“Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: It is good for a man not to touch a woman. Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband.”*
- F. The Discipline in the Home—Authority Proverbs 19:18- *“Chasten thy son while there is hope, and let not thy soul spare for his crying.”*
Proverbs 23:14- *“Thou shalt beat him with the rod, and shalt deliver his soul from hell.”*
- G. The Divorce and the Home—Adultery Mark 10:11-12- *“And he saith unto them, Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her. And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery.”*
- H. The Developing in the Home—Adolsecents Proverbs 22:6- *“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.”*
- David, due to a lack of proper training, lost his son Absalom. II Samuel 18:32-33
 - Thought: Weep for your children now, or you will weep for them later.
 - How can a man so right with the Lord have children turn out so wrong? I Samuel 13:14

1. Because of David's Exclusion II Samuel 14:24, 28-33
2. Because of David's Endorsement II Samuel 15:13-14, 18:5, 12
3. Because of David's Example
 - a. Murder
 - (1) Notice David's Adultery II Samuel 11:2-5
 - (2) Notice Absalom's Adultery II Samuel 16:22
 - b. Morals
 - (1) Notice David's Murder II Samuel 11:14-15
 - (2) Notice Absalom's Murder II Samuel 13:28-29

➤ Does the Lord have a place in your home? II Samuel 23:1-5

III. House of God Revelation 3:20- *"Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me."*

A. A Place for Praying Matthew 21:13- *"And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves."*

1. There Must be Personal Prayer

- a. Luke 18:1- *"And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint"*
- b. I Thessalonians 5:17- *"Pray without ceasing."*
- c. Romans 12:12- *"Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer"*
- d. Colossians 1:3- *"We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you"*
- e. Colossians 1:9- *"For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding"*
- f. Colossians 4:2- *"Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving"*

2. There Must be Public Prayer

- a. I Timothy 2:1- *"I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men"*
- b. I Timothy 2:8- *"I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting."*
- c. Acts 1:14- *"These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren."*
- d. Acts 4:31- *"And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness."*

B. A Place for Preaching Titus 1:3- *"But hath in due times manifested his word through preaching, which is committed unto me according to the commandment of God our Saviour"*

1. Noah Preached II Peter 2:5- *“And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly”*
 2. Jonah Preached Jonah 3:2- *“Arise, go unto Nineveh, that great city, and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee.”*
 3. John Preached Matthew 3:1- *“In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea”*
 4. Jesus Preached Matthew 4:23- *“And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people.”*
 5. Peter Preached Acts 1:15-16- *“And in those days Peter stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of names together were about an hundred and twenty,) Men and brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus.”*
 6. The Disciples Preached Acts 8:4- *“Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.”*
 7. Philip Preached Acts 8:5- *“Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them.”*
 8. Paul and Barnabas Preached Acts 15:35- *“Paul also and Barnabas continued in Antioch, teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.”*
II Timothy 1:11- *“Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.”*
- C. A Place for Praising Psalms 22:22- *“I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee.”*
1. Psalms 34:1- *“I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.”*
 2. Psalms 35:18- *“I will give thee thanks in the great congregation: I will praise thee among much people.”*
 3. Psalms 67:3- *“Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.”*
 4. Psalms 119:171- *“My lips shall utter praise, when thou hast taught me thy statutes.”*
 5. Psalms 96:8-9- *“Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name...O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness...”*
 6. Psalms 9:14- *“...I will rejoice in thy salvation.”*
 7. Psalms 68:3- *“But let the righteous be glad; let them rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.”*
 8. Psalms 42:4- *“When I remember these things, I pour out my soul in me: for I had gone with the multitude, I went with them to the house of God, with the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holyday.”*
 9. Psalms 5:11- *“But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because thou defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.”*

10. Psalm 32:11- *“Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all ye that are upright in heart.”*
 11. Psalm 35:27- *“Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.”*
 12. Isaiah 12:6- *“Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion: for great is the Holy One of Israel in the midst of thee.”*
 13. Psalm 47:1- *“O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph.”*
 14. II Samuel 6:16- *“And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David, Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and saw king David leaping and dancing before the LORD; and she despised him in her heart.”*
 15. II Samuel 6:23- *“Therefore Michal the daughter of Saul had no child unto the day of her death.”*
 16. Psalm 63:4- *“Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name.”*
 17. Psalm 134:2- *“Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the LORD.”*
 18. Ezra 3:10-11- *“And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the LORD, after the ordinance of David king of Israel. And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto the LORD; because he is good, for his mercy endureth for ever toward Israel. And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.”*
 19. Ezra 3:12-13- *“But many of the priests and Levites and chief of the fathers, who were ancient men, that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud voice; and many shouted aloud for joy: So that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was heard afar off.”*
 20. Nehemiah 8:6- *“And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God. And all the people answered, Amen, Amen, with lifting up their hands: and they bowed their heads, and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground.”*
 21. Nehemiah 9:5- *“Then the Levites, Jeshua, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodijah, Shebaniah, and Pethahiah, said, Stand up and bless the LORD your God for ever and ever: and blessed be thy glorious name, which is exalted above all blessing and praise.”*
- D. A Place for Paying
1. Tithes
 - a. Luke 27:30- *“And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD'S: it is holy unto the LORD.”*

- b. Deuteronomy 14:22- *“Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year.”*
 - c. Abraham Tithed Years before the Law Genesis 14:20- *“...And he gave him tithes of all.”*
 - d. Jacob Vowed that He would Tithe Genesis 28:22- *“And this stone, which I have set for a pillar, shall be God's house: and of all that thou shalt give me I will surely give the tenth unto thee.”*
 - e. Malachi 3:8- *“Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.”*
2. Offerings
- a. Exodus 35:5- *“Take ye from among you an offering unto the LORD: whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it, an offering of the LORD...”*
 - b. Exodus 35:21-22- *“And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the LORD'S offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments. And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing hearted, and brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and every man that offered offered an offering of gold unto the LORD.”*
 - c. Exodus 35:29- *“The children of Israel brought a willing offering unto the LORD, every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all manner of work, which the LORD had commanded to be made by the hand of Moses.”*
 - d. Exodus 36:5-7- *“And they spake unto Moses, saying, The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work, which the LORD commanded to make. And Moses gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, Let neither man nor woman make any more work for the offering of the sanctuary. So the people were restrained from bringing. For the stuff they had was sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.”*
 - e. Luke 6:38- *“Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.”*
3. Faith Promise Missions
- a. Romans 15:26- *“For it hath pleased them of Macedonia and Achaia to make a certain contribution for the poor saints which are at Jerusalem.”*
 - b. I Corinthians 16:1-3- *“Now concerning the collection for the saints, as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ye. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come. And when I come, whomsoever ye shall approve by your letters, them will I send to bring your liberality unto Jerusalem.”*

- c. Philippians 4:14-16- *“Notwithstanding ye have well done, that ye did communicate with my affliction. Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only. For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity.”*

E. A Place for Propagating

1. We are to Go Mark 16:15- *“And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.”*
2. We are to Sow Psalm 126:5-6- *“They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.”*
3. We are to Show II Corinthians 4:3- *“But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost”*
4. We are to Glow Matthew 5:14- *“Ye are the light of the world...”*
Matthew 5:16- *“Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.”*
5. We are to Grow Acts 2:47- *“...And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.”*
6. One day, we will be “no mo” I Corinthians 15:52- *“In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.”*

Conclusion: Psalm 132:5- *“Until I find out a place for the LORD, an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.”*