



# PSALMS OF ASCENT

Journey To The New Jerusalem

Adult Bible Fellowship taught by Chris Wittlinger  
Sundays in March & April | 9:00AM

# Psalm 132 *The LORD Has Chosen Zion*

## Context and Outline

- The celebration of the return of the Ark of the Covenant back to Mt. Zion
- David's oath to God (vv.1-5)
- The Ark's Journey (vv.6-10)
- God's oath to us (vv.11-18)



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## David's Oath

- vv.3-5
- Remember – an invocation (Ex. 6.5; Deut. 9.26-27)
- All his afflictions



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## **The Ark's Journey (vv.6-10)**

- We found it in the fields of Jaar
- Arise, O LORD, and go to your resting place
  - (Numbers 10.35-36)
- Do not turn away the face of your anointed



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## **Excurses:**

In Scripture, so many of the recorded prayers are asking God to remember his covenants and promises. Why should we ask God to do what he has already promised to do?



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## **God's Better Oath (vv.11-18)**

- The LORD swore to David a sure oath from which he will not turn back
- 2 Sam. 7.11-16; 1 Kings 2.4; Jeremiah 22.30
- Christ – the convergence of these 2 lines



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## **God's Better Oath (vv.11-18)**

- vv.13-18 answer the petitions of vv.8-10 with lavish grace and abundance (Eph. 3.20)



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- Arise, O LORD, and go to your resting place (v.8)
- Let your priests be clothed with righteousness (v.9)
- And let your saints shout for joy (v.9)
- Do not turn away the face of your anointed one (v.10)
- This is my resting place forever (v.14)
- Her priests I will clothe with salvation (v.16)
- And her saints will shout for joy (v.16)
- There I will make a horn sprout for David (v.17)



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- “‘Lord, remember David.’ This was good pleading, but it was not so good as ours, which runs on this wise, ‘Lord, remember Jesus, and all his afflictions.’” – C.H.S.
- “David wanted so earnestly for God to have a place to dwell with man that he lost sleep over it. Jesus wanted so earnestly a place for God to dwell with man that he died for it, so we always seek God’s favor through the merits of his Son.” - Cruse

