

Revive Us Again!

Part 6 – The Glory Of His Presence

Text: 2 Chron 5:1-6; 11-14 (NLT)

2 Chronicles 5:1-6 (New Living Translation)

¹ So Solomon finished all his work on the Temple of the LORD. Then he brought all the gifts his father, David, had dedicated—the silver, the gold, and the various articles—and he stored them in the treasuries of the Temple of God.

² Solomon then summoned to Jerusalem the elders of Israel and all the heads of tribes—the leaders of the ancestral families of Israel. They were to bring the Ark of the LORD's Covenant to the Temple from its location in the City of David, also known as Zion. ³ So all the men of Israel assembled before the king at the annual Festival of Shelters, which is held in early autumn.^[a]

⁴ When all the elders of Israel arrived, the Levites picked up the Ark. ⁵ The priests and Levites brought up the Ark along with the special tent^[b] and all the sacred items that had been in it. ⁶ There, before the Ark, King Solomon and the entire community of Israel sacrificed so many sheep, goats, and cattle that no one could keep count!

2 Chronicles 5:11-14 (New Living Translation)

¹¹ Then the priests left the Holy Place. All the priests who were present had purified themselves, whether or not they were on duty that day. ¹² And the Levites who were musicians—Asaph, Heman, Jeduthun, and all their sons and brothers—were dressed in fine linen robes and stood at the east side of the altar playing cymbals, lyres, and harps. They were joined by 120 priests who were playing trumpets. ¹³ The trumpeters and singers performed together in unison to praise and give thanks to the LORD. Accompanied by trumpets, cymbals, and other instruments, they raised their voices and praised the LORD with these words:

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A. WHAT IS THE GLORY?

1. A time of spiritual renewal and revival in Israel
2. Focus – Vs 13b-14

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3. God's glorious presence
 - Omni presence
 - Manifested presence
4. “Glory”
 - Kabod (Hebrew) – Weight
 - Doxa (Greek) – Beauty, splendour

B. WHAT RELEASES THE GLORY?

1. **Sanctified priesthood** – 2 Chron 5:11 (Amplified)

¹¹And when the priests had come out of the Holy Place--for all the priests present had sanctified themselves, separating themselves from everything that defiles, without regard to their divisions;

- What it means to be sanctified
- Rev 1:5-6 (TNIV) – Kings and priests

⁵ and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

2. **Spirit-anointed worship**

- 2 Chron 5:6 (NLT) – Spirit of Sacrifice

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- 2 Chron 5:12-13 (NLT)

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- Worship attracts the glory

C. WHAT ARE THE BLESSINGS OF THE GLORY?

1. Exod 33:14 (NKJV) - Rest

14 And He said, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."

2. Psa 16:11 (NKJV) – Fullness of Joy

*11 You will show me the path of life;
In Your presence is fullness of joy;
At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

3. 2 Cor 3:18 (NKJV) – Transformation

18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.