

David Dances Before the Lord

2 Samuel 6:12b-22a

Romans 13:7

Revelation 4:11

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Sometimes in our best efforts we really take a risk. We step out and honor God with what we feel led in our hearts to do. It is at these times we are most vulnerable to people who have a bone to pick with us. When we take risks, people looking for vulnerability within us see an opportunity to strike.

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Though David experienced many failures, God knew how much David desired to honor Him. In turn, God honored David's effort and desire. What gave David the courage to take such risks? When have I shown this much conviction? When have I failed to honor God before others?

WE

Honoring from a pure motive is possible only when we continually strive to have proper perspective of who God is, who we are, and who others are in relation to us and to God. The deeper we grow in our faith, the easier it is for us to "step out" and show vulnerability in our actions. Why is it important in this journey to become a part of a faith community of believers? How can the "safety net" of other Christians guide us as we live out our daily lives? How does a positive attitude of meekness and gratitude serve us well?

THEY

We honor God when we display our faith and trust in Him. There are many ways to demonstrate for others what God has done for us? List several of the ways we do this? Why is it important to God for us to share our knowledge of Him with those around us? How should we respond when rejected or ridiculed for our faith? How did Jesus respond?