

# **STRANGER WEIRD STORIES FROM THE BIBLE THINGS**

**“Uzzah, oxcarts, and a holy God”  
2 Samuel 6:1-23**

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

David again brought together all the able young men of Israel—thirty thousand. He and all his men went to Baalah in Judah to bring up from there the ark of God,

which is called by the Name, the name of the LORD Almighty, who is enthroned between the cherubim on the ark.

They set the ark of God on a new cart and brought it from the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, sons of Abinadab, were guiding the new cart with the ark of God on it, and Ahio was walking in front of it.

David and all Israel were celebrating with all their might before the LORD, with castanets, harps, lyres, timbrels, sistrums and cymbals.

2 Samuel 6:1-5

And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Uzzah, and God struck him down there because of his error, and he died there beside the ark of God.

2 Samuel 6:7

**What kind of God kills someone  
for trying to help?**

And David was angry because the LORD had broken out against Uzzah. And that place is called Perez-uzzah to this day. And David was afraid of the LORD that day, and he said,

“How can the ark of the LORD come to me?” So David was not willing to take the ark of the LORD into the city of David. But David took it aside to the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.

And the ark of the LORD remained in the house of Obededom the Gittite three months, and the LORD blessed Obededom and all his household.

2 Samuel 6:8-11

What do you think of God?

**Do what God asks**

And by this we know that we  
have come to know him, if we  
keep his commandments.  
Whoever says “I know him” but  
does not keep his  
commandments is a liar,

and the truth is not in him, but whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected. By this we may know that we are in him: whoever says he abides in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

I John 2:3-6

For this is the love of God, that  
we keep his commandments.  
And his commandments are not  
burdensome.

I John 5:3

**Refuse to manage God**

**Worship God in wonder and awe**

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

For great is the Lord and most  
worthy of praise; he is to be  
feared above all gods...Ascribe  
to the Lord the glory due his  
name; bring an offering and  
come into his courts. Worship  
the Lord in the splendor of his  
holiness... Psalm 96

**“To be present at the place of  
worship and not to worship is  
both common and dangerous...”**

**Eugene Peterson**

**Obedience, management,  
worship...what is God asking of  
you?**