



# PREACHING CURRICULUM

## THE ARK OF THE COVENANT

### 1 KINGS 8:22-66

“Whether you’re flat broke, ravaged with disease, lonely, or wanting to repent of sin, God hears his people.”

## 1 REVIEW THE SERMON

Why do you think historically there has been much interest in the Ark of the Covenant, from both Christians and non-Christians alike? \_\_\_\_\_

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What does the Ark of the Covenant contain? What is the design of the Ark supposed to remind us of and teach us about? \_\_\_\_\_

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According to the text, what are the evidences of the judgement of God upon an unrepentant people and nations? \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Why does God require you to give Him your whole heart in worship? What is God after? What is He accomplishing in you? \_\_\_\_\_

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How do you find the balance between the transcendence of God (He is holy and infinite) and the immanence of God (He is near to His people)? Why is God mindful of you, and why does He care for you (Psalm 8:4)? \_\_\_\_\_

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Israel constantly fell into sin, and judgment came on them as a result of an unrepentant heart. What are the most obvious ways the culture and the church today, sins against God today? How frequently do you pray for forgiveness for our culture/nation and our church? How about in your own life? Are prayers of forgiveness a regular thing? Why or why not? \_\_\_\_\_

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## APPLY THE TRUTH

If we want to see holiness and purity in our country and in our culture, what must happen first? What are we (the Church) required to do in order to see this happen? \_\_\_\_\_

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How can your worship and prayers both acknowledge the infinity of God and not take for granted the fact that He is close to His people? \_\_\_\_\_

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How will the worship of the One and Only God cure a bitter heart? What are some practices in your own life that have reoriented your worship away from lies (i.e. false gods) and back to Christ? How can you be a better example of this to those closest to you and also to those on the outside (i.e. culture). \_\_\_\_\_

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## COMMIT THIS WEEK

How will you commit to more faithfully approaching God in your prayer and worship and not having your heart drawn toward other idols and false gods? \_\_\_\_\_

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## PRAYER REQUESTS/PRAISE REPORTS

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PERSON	REQUEST	ANSWER/PRAISE REPORT