

HONORING GOD IN OUR WORSHIP

(1 Samuel 6:13-7:1)

- I. Flouted _____ (1 Sam. 6:13-18)
- A. The _____ (6:13a)
1. Time—Wheat harvest in _____
 2. Place—Levitical city assigned to _____ (Josh. 21:13-16)
 3. People—_____ clan responsible for _____ for the _____ (Num. 4:4, 15)
 - a. Knew regulations for _____
 - b. Knew regulations for _____
- B. The _____ (6:13b-14a)
1. Two _____ walked in pulling a _____ with the _____
 2. People saw it and _____
 3. Cows _____ beside a great _____ at the border
- C. The _____ (6:14b-18)
1. They _____ the two _____, but God said only _____ animals could be used for burnt offerings (Lev. 1:3ff)
 2. They _____ the Ark on the stone, but God said _____ outside the Aaronic priesthood could _____ even the _____ of the Ark (Num. 4:5-6)
 3. They displayed the golden _____ and _____ with the Ark, but God said they were to have no “graven _____” (Ex. 20:4)
 4. They _____ the Ark, but God said no one was to _____ it (Num. 4:15)

- II. Furious _____ (1 Sam. 6:19)
- A. God judged them for _____ the Ark
- B. God killed _____ of the _____ of Beth-shemesh
1. Huge number, attested by _____ ancient Hebrew text and _____ (LXX, Syriac *Peshitta*, Aramaic *Targums*, Coptic)
 2. Some modern translations drop the _____, saying only _____ died
 - a. Cite Josephus, a First-century Jewish historian
 - b. Assume there were never so _____ men in Beth-shemesh
 3. Better to _____ the _____ text
 - a. If 30,000 dead (4:10) was a “ _____ ” (4:17), 70 dead would hardly qualify as the _____ (6:19)
 - b. If the _____ killed 30,000 and _____ killed 70, Israel would be likely to fear the _____ more than _____

- III. Foolish _____ (1 Sam. 6:20-7:1)
- A. Cried out for _____ from _____
1. Blamed _____ for the deaths, not themselves
 2. Wanted God to _____
- B. Convinced the _____ of Kirjath-Jearim to take the Ark (cf. Josh. 9-10)
1. Put it in a _____ rather than on public display
 2. Posted a _____: Eleazar

- IV. Lessons
- A. We must not ignore _____ when circumstances seem to warrant, but interpret _____ in the light of God’s Word
- B. God is more to be _____ than our _____
- C. God expects _____ from His own people than He does from others