



# CELEBRATION TIME

*“Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all people.” – Acts 2:46-47*

*“Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad; let them say among the nations, ‘The LORD reigns!’”* – 1 Chronicles 16:31

# Why should we celebrate?

1. Celebration honors the accomplishments of God.



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*“They celebrated before the Lord  
for fourteen days in all.”* – 1 Kings 8:65

*“Celebrated joyfully with songs of thanksgiving and with the music of cymbals, harps and lyres.” – Neh. 12:27*

*“We will shout for joy when you are victorious and will lift up our banners in the name of our God.” – Psalm 20:5*





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2. Celebration refreshes our attitude.

“went home, joyful and glad in heart for all the good things the Lord had done for... his people Israel.” – 1 Kings 8:66



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## 3. Celebration thwarts the accusations of man.

“I will make known my holy name among my people Israel. I will no longer let my name be profaned, and the nations will know that I the LORD am the Holy One in Israel.” – Ezekiel 39:7



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*“if you suffer as a Christian, do not be ashamed, but praise God that you bear that name.” – 1 Peter 4:16 NIV*

*“Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts.” – Psalm 105:1-2*



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*“Since many are boasting in the way the world does, I too will boast.”* – 2 Corinthians 11:18



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# What should we celebrate?

- God's victories.



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# How should we celebrate?

1. Celebrate the past but don't dwell on the past.

*“God is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us...”* – Ephesians 3:20





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# How should we celebrate?

2. Celebrate the past but don't denigrate the past.



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*“Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.” – Acts 4:29*

*“For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.” – Hebrews 4:12*



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3. Celebrate the message of the past – for Jesus is the same yesterday, today and forever.

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