



Praise the Lord

David's Heart: David Praises God
2 Samuel 6:5, 12-15

As they rounded the path, Delbert and Lello could see Granny B and Pops' farmhouse was busy with activity. They decided to investigate. As they came near, they could see Granny B and Pops were carrying boxes onto the porch.

"Delbert, what do you think they're doing?" Lello asked.

"Maybe they're moving everything out onto the porch so Granny B can clean all the floors," Delbert guessed.

"But they aren't moving the furniture...just lots of boxes." Lello said.

"You're right, Lello. I guess there's only one way to find out," Delbert began.

"How?" Lello asked curiously.

"Ask," Delbert laughed. The two friends ran the rest of the way and jumped onto the porch.

"Hello, little ones!" Granny B greeted them.

"Granny B, what are you guys doing?" Delbert asked.

"We're getting ready to praise God," Granny B answered.

Delbert and Lello looked at each other. What could Granny B mean?

Pops could see Delbert and Lello didn't understand. "We're bringing out some musical instruments. Some of the nearby farmers are coming over tonight. We are going to play instruments and sing songs to God," Pops said.

"Ohhhhh!" Delbert and Lello exclaimed. Delbert spied a brightly colored shaker called a maraca. He picked it up and shook it to a steady beat. Lello laughed and found a little drum to bang on. Granny B and Pops decided to join in, too. Pops picked up his banjo and Granny B played the xylophone. Everyone smiled and had a wonderful time praising God.

"Praising God with music is fun," Lello said, when their song was over.

"It sure is. Every time we have praise time with our neighbors it reminds me of King David," Pops said, setting his banjo down.

"Haw, it does?" Delbert asked.

"Yes. King David loved to praise God, too," Pops explained.

"How did King David praise God?" Lello asked.

"The Bible says King David praised God by playing music, singing, and dancing," Granny B answered with a smile.

"Granny B, Pops, can we come and praise God with you and the other farmers tonight?" Delbert asked hopefully.

"We would love it!" Granny B said, as she hugged Delbert.

Delbert and Lello ran back to the barn to ask their parents and to find their favorite instruments. Once the sun began to set, they raced back to the farmhouse. When they arrived, they heard beautiful music and singing. People were crowded onto the porch playing instruments and praising God. Delbert and Lello shyly made their way up the porch steps.

When Pops saw them, he led everyone in Delbert and Lello's favorite praise song. Delbert and Lello immediately began to play and sing-a-long.

Lello looked over at Delbert and whispered, "It sure is fun to praise God with others!" Delbert nodded, with a huge grin on his face.