

# PSALM 132

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**PURPOSE:** Recalling David's oath to build a house for Yahweh's ark in Zion and Yahweh's oath to build up David's house, the psalmist prays for Yahweh's protection of David's house and celebrates Yahweh's divine presence in Zion & His promises to maintain the holy city & its anointed king.

**Type:** Mixture of Royal Song with Song of Zion

**Author:** Unknown **Date:** After 1003 BC

**Note:** Commemorates the move of the Ark to Zion and the cutting of the Davidic Covenant (2 Sam 6-7).

**Grouping:** Part of the Songs of Ascents (Pss 120-134)

HEADING	ROYAL CHORUS: ISRAELITE PRAYERS TO PRESERVE DAVID'S ROYAL HOUSE vv. 1-10	ZION CHORUS: DIVINE PROMISES TO PRESERVE DAVID'S ROYAL HOUSE & GOD'S SACRED CITY vv. 11-18
Collection Song for Ascending to Zion	<p><b>Prayer for Yahweh to Remember David's Holy Resolve</b> vv. 1-5</p> <p>Opening Plea for Divine Grace on David's House v. 1a</p> <p>Recitation of David's Resolve to Prepare a Holy Place for Yahweh vv. 1b-5</p> <p><b>Prayer for Yahweh to Maintain the Davidic Anointing</b> vv. 6-10</p> <p>Prayerful Remembrance of the Ark's Installation in Zion vv. 6-9</p> <p><i>Recollection of the "Rediscovery" of the Ark</i> v. 6</p> <p><i>Resolve to Journey to the Ark's New Central Location</i> v. 7</p> <p><i>Liturgical Prayers on the Ark's Installation</i> v. 8-9</p> <p>Prayer to Protect of the Anointed Davidic King v. 10</p>	<p><b>Yahweh's Response to the Prayer of Protection</b> vv. 11-12</p> <p>Introduction of the Divine Oath v. 11a</p> <p>Recitation of the Divine Oath to Secure the Davidic Dynasty vv. 11b-12</p> <p><b>Yahweh's Promise to Protect the King &amp; Capital</b> vv. 13-18</p> <p>Prophetic Summary of Yahweh's Choice of Zion v. 13</p> <p>Divine Oracle on Yahweh's Safe Dwelling Place vv. 14-18</p> <p><i>Yahweh's Personal Selection of Zion</i> v. 14</p> <p><i>Yahweh's Promise to Provide for Zion's People</i> v. 15</p> <p><i>Yahweh's Promise to Build up Zion's Religion</i> v. 16</p> <p><i>Yahweh's Promises to Advance &amp; Protect the House of David</i> vv. 17-18</p>