



The ark was the most valuable thing the children of Israel had. Wherever the Israelites went, the ark was taken too. The people carried the ark very carefully. They tried to keep it safe. They gave the ark an important place in the line of march when they were travelling through the wilderness from Egypt to Israel. At last the day came when the people were at home in the promised land. They wanted to keep the ark in one place. From now on, the ark would be in the new capital city of Jerusalem.

King David knew it was important to move the ark carefully. A new cart was built to hold the ark. A pair of oxen were chosen to pull the cart. King David and many of the people marched in front of the ark. Men played their harps and cymbals. It was a happy day for Israel. It was a very important day. The oxen were trusted to carry the ark to its new home.

(I Chronicles 13:7,10)