

# Exodus 25:14

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And thou shalt put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark, that the ark may be borne with them.

## Analysis

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The staves are placed through the rings 'that the ark may be borne with them.' This design ensures both mobility and protection—God's presence travels with His people, yet His holiness remains inviolate. The staves become extensions of the Ark's sanctity, teaching that whatever is consecrated for carrying God's presence shares in its holiness.

## Historical Context

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During Israel's wilderness wanderings, the Ark led the way (Numbers 10:33), with the staves permanently in place. This arrangement allowed quick mobility while maintaining reverence—no one needed to touch the holy object.

## Related Passages

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**James 2:17** — Faith and works

**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

## Study Questions

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1. How does God's presence both travel with you and maintain its holiness?
2. What in your life is 'consecrated' for carrying God's presence to others?

## Interlinear Text

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וְהִבַּאתְ	אֶת	הַבַּדִּים	בְּטִבְעֵ	עַל	צִלְעֵ	הָאֹרֶן
And thou shalt put	H853	the staves	into the rings	H5921	by the sides	of the ark
H935		H905	H2885		H6763	H727
לִשְׂ	אֶת	הָאֹרֶן	בָּהֶם:			
may be borne	H853	of the ark	H0			
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