

**The Great Promises of God Given to David
(The Davidic Covenant): God's Great Promise of Hope,
The Coming Son of David, Christ Himself
2 Samuel 07:01–17**

**1. *The burning desire of David to build a temple to God's honour:
A heart set on honouring God***

- a. He had been richly blessed
- b. He wanted to show his gratitude: By building a temple for the Ark (a symbol of God's presence)
- c. He was encouraged by Nathan the prophet: Because David was so blessed by God

**2. *The blessings and promises of God during David's lifetime:
A picture of God's blessings***

- a. God's correction of Nathan: Reversed his counsel
 - b. God's instructions to David: He was not the one who was to build the temple
- 1) God had never had a house built for His presence: His dwelling place had always been a tent (the Tabernacle)
- 2) God had never complained nor asked His shepherds (leaders) to build Him a temple

1 After the king was settled in his palace and the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies around him,

2 he said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am, living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God remains in a tent."

3 Nathan replied to the king, "Whatever you have in mind, go ahead and do it, for the LORD is with you."

4 But that night the word of the LORD came to Nathan, saying:

5 "Go and tell my servant David, 'This is what the LORD says: Are you the one to build me a house to dwell in?'"

6 I have not dwelt in a house from the day I brought the Israelites up out of Egypt to this day. I have been moving from place to place with a tent as my dwelling.

7 Wherever I have moved with all the Israelites, did I ever say to any of their rulers whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, "Why have you not built me a house of cedar?"

c. God's blessings and promises to David

- 1) First, an astounding rise to royalty and power:
From a shepherd to king over "My people"
- 2) Second, God's presence and guidance
- 3) Third, God's power to conquer all enemies
- 4) Fourth, the gift of a great, honourable name
- 5) Fifth, the promised land for Israel, God's people
 - A settled, permanent home
 - A peaceful, undisturbed home
 - A home free from the wicked and oppressive
- 6) Sixth, a life of rest (militarily and spiritually)

3. *The blessings and promises of God to be fulfilled after David's death: Promises predicting and pointing to both Solomon and Christ*

- a. A house, a dynasty for David
- b. A seed, an offspring raised up by God Himself, Gen 15:5; Mat 1:1; Acts 2:30; 13:23
- c. A kingdom established by God Himself, Luke 1:31-32
- d. A spiritual house of worship, Zec 6:12-13; John 2:19-21
- e. An eternal throne or kingdom, 1 Chr 22:6-10; Mat 19:28-29; Luke 22:29-30; John 18:36

8 "Now then, tell my servant David, 'This is what the LORD Almighty says: I took you from the pasture, from tending the flock, and appointed you ruler over my people Israel.

9 I have been with you wherever you have gone, and I have cut off all your enemies from before you. Now I will make your name great, like the names of the greatest men on earth.

10 And I will provide a place for my people Israel and will plant them so that they can have a home of their own and no longer be disturbed. Wicked people will not oppress them anymore, as they did at the beginning

11 and have done ever since the time I appointed leaders over my people Israel. I will also give you rest from all your enemies." "The LORD declares to you that the LORD himself will establish a house for you:

12 When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and I will establish his kingdom.

13 He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

f. A descendant who would be the Son of God, Isa 9:6; Mark 1:1; Luke 1:31-32; John 20:31; Heb 1:5

g. A son who would be punished for sin, 1 Kng 11:1-13; Rom 5:8; Heb 5:8-9; 1 Pet 2:24

1) Inflicted by men, Acts 2:22-23

2) God's mercy and love for His Son would be unfailing, Mat 12:18; 17:5; Mark 1:11; Eph 1:6; Col 1:13; Heb 5:5

h. The conclusion

1) The promise of an eternal throne and kingdom repeated, Isa 11:1-9; Jer 23:5; Zec 3:8

2) The revelation of God was reported to David word for word

14 I will be his father,
and he will be my son.
When he does wrong,
I will punish him with a rod wielded by men,
with floggings inflicted by human hands.

15 But my love will never be taken away from him, as I took it away from Saul, whom I removed from before you.

16 Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever.”

17 Nathan reported to David all the words of this entire revelation.