

2 Samuel 7-8

Lesson 6: The Davidic Covenant & David's Victories

Overview of 2 Samuel 7

- vs. 1-3—David's Desire—
To Build God's House (Temple)
- vs. 4-17—Nathan's Oracle—
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Humble Gratitude & Submission

Deuteronomy 12:10-11a

- When you cross the Jordan and live in the land the LORD your God is giving you to inherit, and he gives you rest from all the enemies around you and you live in security,
- then the LORD your God will choose the place to have his name dwell.

Two Rhetorical Questions:

1. Are you the one who should build Me a house? (v.5)
2. Have I asked anyone to build Me a house of cedar? (v.7)

Two Reasons David Is Not the One to Build

1. You know that David my father was unable to build a house for the name of the LORD his God because of the wars which surrounded him (1 Kings 5:3).
2. But the word of the LORD came to me, saying, "You . . . shall not build a house to My name, because you have shed so much blood on the earth before Me" (1 Chr. 22:8).

David's Preparations

"All this," David said, "I have in writing as a result of the LORD's hand on me, and he enabled me to understand all the details of the plan" (1 Chronicles 28:19, NIV).

David's Preparations

[David said to Solomon:] "Here are the divisions of the priests and the Levites for all the service of the house of God; and every willing craftsman will be with you for all manner of workmanship, for every kind of service; also the leaders and all the people will be completely at your command" (1Ch 28:21, NKJV).

David will live to see God

1. make David's name great (v.9)
2. provide a place for Israel (v.10)
3. give David rest from his enemies (v.11a)

After David's death God will

1. provide a house or dynasty (v.11b, 12, 13, 16)
2. establish a kingdom (v.12, 13, 16)
3. establish a throne (v.13, 16)

**FOREVER
THROUGH JESUS**

Gabriel said to Mary

- He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David;
- and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end (Luke 1:32-33).

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David's Prayer

- Present: gratitude for divine favor (7:18-21)
- Past: praise for what God has already done (7:22-24)
- Future: prayer for divine fulfillment of covenant promises (7:25-29)

Chapter 8—David's Victories Over His Enemies

- West—Philistines (8:1)
- East—Moabites (8:2), Ammonites (8:12)
- North—Zobah, Arameans (Syrians) (8:3-10)
- South—Arameans, Edomites (8:13-14); also Amalekites (8:12)



David's Cabinet

- Joab—army
- Jehoshaphat—recorder
- Zadok & Ahimelech—priests
- Seraiah—secretary
- Benaiah—special forces
- David's sons—chief ministers or royal advisers

CONSIDER:

1. David's response to not being allowed to build the Temple—humble submission
2. David's response to God's promises—gratitude & focus on God's glory
3. David's victories in battle because of God's presence & help
4. David's generosity—treasures dedicated to God