

God's Promise - Plan

2 Samuel 7

Lesson 5

Read 2 Samuel 7

God gave the people of Israel rest from all of their enemies which allowed King David some down time to notice something important. King David had a fancy palace, but God's house of worship was still a tent. David told the prophet, Nathan, it was time to build a temple. But God spoke to Nathan and said David's son, Solomon, would be the king to build the temple. Read 2 Samuel 7.

Talk About It

- I. Even though David didn't get to build the temple, God made a covenant with David. What is a covenant?
- 2. Can you think of any other covenants that God made with his people that we've looked at over the past month? (Hint: 3 are in Genesis and 1 is in Exodus).
- 3. Verses 12-13 say, "When your time comes and you rest with your fathers, I will raise up after you your descendant, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He will build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever." God isn't just talking about David's son, Solomon who became king

Did you know?

"Israel's temple in the Bible is described as the place where God's space and humanity's space are one. In fact, the whole biblical drama can be told as a story about God's temple...The temple was a sacred reenactment of humanity's return to the garden, to live together with God in peace. In this way, the temple was a prophetic symbol that pointed forward to the day when not just a select few priests, but everyone could enter into the divine presence in a renewed creation" (The Bible Project).

Check out this video on the temple from The Bible Project:

https:// bibleproject.com/ explore/temple/

- after David. God is talking about another descendent of David who will be king, too. Can you guess who that King is?
- 4. Verse 16 says, "Your house and kingdom will endure before Me forever, and your throne will be established forever." David wanted to build a house for God so that the people could worship God. Instead, God built David a house that would last forever. How do you think God's promise came true?
- 5. Read David's prayer in verses 18-29. What do you learn about David from his prayer? What do you learn about God from David's prayer?
- 6. One of the most important lessons we will ever learn is, "There is a God and that God is not us." How did King David, the most powerful man in all of Israel, remember Who was truly on the throne? (Hint: See 2 Samuel 7:18).
- 7. Remembering that God is King and sitting under God's authority is one of the most challenging things we will do in our Christian walk. How will you live each day with God as your true King?

Prayer: Father God, thank you for keeping your promise to David. Thank you for King Jesus, who reigns on an eternal throne and establishes his forever kingdom. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Memory Verse:

PHRASE	MOTION
ISAIAH 9:6	
"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;	Have the children pretend to cradle a baby in their arms and rock it back and forth.
"and the government shall be upon his shoulder,	Have the children touch their fingers to their shoulders.
"and his name shall be called	Have the children cup their hands around their mouths like a megaphone.
"Wonderful Counselor,	Have the children raise their hands above their heads and spread their fingers as they quickly move their arms to their side.
"Mighty God,	Have the children make a muscle with their right arm.
"Everlasting Father,	Have the children wave their right hand in a circle above their head and then do the same with their left.
"Prince of Peace."	Have the children form a crown with their two hands, fingers spread and rest it on their heads.