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THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S

DAVID'S THANKSGIVING: CLAIMING THE PROMISE

2 SAMUEL 7:18–29; 1 CHRONICLES 17:16–27

**What the Bible Teaches
About
*The Davidic Covenant***



ABRAHAMIC COVENANT

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Genesis 12:1–13

“land”

“seed”

“blessing”

ISRAEL LAND COVENANT

Deuteronomy 29

“land”

DAVIDIC COVENANT

2 Samuel 7

“seed”

NEW COVENANT

Jeremiah 31

“blessing”

DAVIDIC COVENANT

DAVIDIC COVENANT

2 Sam. 7:12–16

Psa. 89

1 Chron. 17:11–14

ETERNAL HOUSE

2 Sam. 7:11, 13a, 16

1 Chron. 17:10

ETERNAL KINGDOM

2 Sam. 7:12c

1 Chron. 17:14

ETERNAL THRONE

2 Sam. 7:13b

1 Chron. 17:12b, 14

Conclusion

2 Sam. 7:15, “But My mercy shall not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I removed from before you.

2 Sam. 7:16, “And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever.”

חֶסֶד *hesed* kindness, lovingkindness, mercy

C Confession

A Adoration or praise

T Thanksgiving

S Supplication

Psa. 51:3, “For I acknowledge my transgressions,

And my sin is always before me.

Psa. 51:4, “Against You, You only, have I sinned,

And done this evil in Your sight—

That You may be found just when You speak,

And blameless when You judge.”

2 Sam. 7:18, “Then King David went in and sat before the LORD; and he said: ‘Who am I, O Lord GOD? And what is my house, that You have brought me this far?’

2 Sam. 7:19, “And yet this was a small thing in Your sight, O Lord GOD; and You have also spoken of Your servant’s house for a great while to come. Is this the manner of man, O Lord GOD?”

2 Sam. 7:8, “Now therefore, thus shall you say to My servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts: “I took you from the sheepfold, from following the sheep, to be ruler over My people, over Israel.

2 Sam. 7:9, “ ‘ “And I have been with you wherever you have gone, and have cut off all your enemies from before you, and have made you a great name, like the name of the great men who are on the earth.” ’ ”

2 Sam. 7:19, “And yet this was a small thing in Your sight, O Lord GOD; and You have also spoken of Your servant’s house for a great while to come. Is this the manner of man, O Lord GOD?”

Gen. 24:26, “Then the man bowed down his head and worshiped the LORD.”

Gen. 24:48, “And I bowed my head and worshiped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God of my master Abraham, who had led me in the way of truth to take the daughter of my master’s brother for his son.”

Gen. 24:52, “And it came to pass, when Abraham’s servant heard their words, that he worshiped the LORD, bowing himself to the earth.”

Ex. 34:8, “So Moses made haste and bowed his head toward the earth, and worshiped.”

2 Sam. 7:19, “And yet this was a small thing in Your sight, O Lord GOD; and You have also spoken of Your servant’s house for a great while to come. Is this the manner of man, O Lord GOD?””

2 Sam. 7:19, “And you didn’t stop there, O LORD God! You have also spoken about the future of your servant’s family. Is this your usual way of dealing with men, O LORD God?””

Heb: “and this [is] the law of man”;

KJV: “is this the manner of man, O Lord God?”;

NAB: “this too you have shown to man”;

NRSV: “May this be instruction for the people, O Lord God!”

This part of the verse is very enigmatic; no completely satisfying solution has yet been suggested. The present translation tries to make sense of the Majority Text by understanding the phrase as a question that underscores the uniqueness of God’s dealings with David as described here. The parallel passage in 1 Chron. 17:17 reads differently (see the note there).

1 Chron. 17:17, “And you did not stop there, O God! You have also spoken about the future of your servant’s family. You have revealed to me what men long to know, O LORD God.”

2 Sam. 7:20, “Now what more can David say to You? For You, Lord GOD, know Your servant.”

2 Sam. 7:21, “For Your word’s sake, and according to Your own heart, You have done all these great things, to make Your servant know them.”

2 Sam. 7:22, “Therefore You are great, O Lord GOD. For there is none like You, nor is there any God besides You, according to all that we have heard with our ears.”

**Psa. 104:1, “Bless the LORD, O my soul!
O LORD my God, You are very great:
You are clothed with honor and majesty,”**

**Psa. 48:1, “Great is the LORD, and greatly
to be praised in the city of our God, in His
holy mountain.”**

Deut. 3:24, “O Lord GOD, You have begun to show Your servant Your greatness and Your mighty hand, for what god is there in heaven or on earth who can do anything like Your works and Your mighty deeds?”

Deut. 4:35, “To you it was shown, that you might know that the LORD Himself is God; there is none other besides Him.”

**Ex. 15:11, “Who is like You, O LORD,
among the gods? Who is like You, glorious
in holiness, fearful in praises, doing
wonders?”**

**1 Sam. 2:2, “No one is holy like the LORD,
for there is none besides You, nor is there
any rock like our God.”**

2 Sam. 7:23, “And who is like Your people, like Israel, the one nation on the earth whom God went to redeem for Himself as a people, to make for Himself a name—and to do for Yourself great and awesome deeds for Your land—before Your people whom You redeemed for Yourself from Egypt, the nations, and their gods?”

2 Sam. 7:24, “For You have made Your people Israel Your very own people forever; and You, LORD, have become their God.”

Jer. 11:4, “which I commanded your fathers in the day I brought them out of the land of Egypt, from the iron furnace, saying, ‘Obey My voice, and do according to all that I command you; so shall you be My people, and I will be your God,’ ”

2 Sam. 7:25, “Now, O LORD God, the word which You have spoken concerning Your servant and concerning his house, establish it forever and do as You have said.”

2 Sam. 7:26, “So let Your name be magnified forever, saying, ‘The LORD of hosts is the God over Israel.’ And let the house of Your servant David be established before You.”

2 Sam. 7:27, “For You, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, have revealed this to Your servant, saying, ‘I will build you a house.’ Therefore Your servant has found it in his heart to pray this prayer to You.”

2 Sam. 7:28, “And now, O Lord GOD, You are God, and Your words are true, and You have promised this goodness to Your servant.

2 Sam. 7:29, “Now therefore, let it please You to bless the house of Your servant, that it may continue before You forever; for You, O Lord GOD, have spoken it, and with Your blessing let the house of Your servant be blessed forever.”