

## In Search of a King 1-2 SAMUEL

*"The Lord's words recorded here arguably play the single most significant role of any Scripture found in the Old Testament in shaping the Christian understanding of Jesus."*

(R.D. Bergen, NAC, p.337)

2 Samuel 7:1-17

## The Davidic Covenant

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### 1. Good Desires Restrained

- the initiative to build the temple and the choice of the person for the task must come from the Lord not from any man
- God will not be controlled, domesticated or put in anyone's debt (cf. Rom. 11:34-35)

<sup>24</sup> The God who made the world and all things in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands;

<sup>25</sup> nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all *people* life and breath and all things;

(Acts 17:24-25)

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### 2. Great Promises Made

- the Lord will make David's name great – not the other way around
- the Lord's earlier kingdom promises (*rest, land, seed, blessing*) will be fulfilled through David's kingship

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### 3. Greater Promises Foretold

- the Lord will establish the house (dynasty), kingdom and throne of David forever
- every Davidic king would be God's "son", His kingly representative over His people
- as son, he is disciplined by his father, but the Lord will never remove His love from him

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- The kingdom plan of God will be established through the house and throne of David...how will this happen?

<sup>6</sup> For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us;  
And the government will rest on His shoulders;  
And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

<sup>7</sup> There will be no end to the increase of *His* government or of peace,  
On the throne of David and over his kingdom,  
To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness  
From then on and forevermore.  
The zeal of the LORD of hosts will accomplish this.

(Isaiah 9:6-7)

<sup>30</sup> The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; for you have found favor with God.

<sup>31</sup> And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Him Jesus.

<sup>32</sup> 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;

<sup>33</sup> and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end."

(Luke 1:30-33)