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THE FAITHFULNESS OF GOD

DAVIDIC & SOLOMONIC COVENANTS: DELIVERED PEOPLE; A TEMPLE FIT FOR HIS DWELLING

Davidic Covenant - 2 Samuel 7:8-16

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. 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.”

1 Chronicles 17:11-14

11 When the time comes for you to die, I will raise up your descendant, one of your own sons, to succeed you, and I will establish his kingdom. 12 He will build me a house, and I will make his dynasty permanent. 13 I will become his father and he will become my son. I will never withhold my loyal love from him, as I withheld it from the one who ruled before you. 14 I will put him in permanent charge of my house and my kingdom; his dynasty will be permanent.””

Psalms 89:3-4

3 The Lord said, “I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have made a promise on oath to David, my servant: 4 ‘I will give you an eternal dynasty and establish your throne throughout future generations.’” (Selah)

Solomonic Covenant - 1 Kings 2:1-4

1 When David was close to death, he told Solomon his son: 2 “I am about to die. Be strong and become a man! 3 Do the job the Lord your God has assigned you by following his instructions and obeying his rules, commandments, regulations, and laws as written in the law of Moses. Then you will succeed in all you do and seek to accomplish, 4 and the Lord will fulfill his promise to me, ‘If your descendants watch their step and live faithfully in my presence with all their heart and being, then,’ he promised, ‘you will not fail to have a successor on the throne of Israel.’

2 Chronicles 7:12-22

12 the Lord appeared to him at night and said: “I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a temple for sacrifices. 13 “When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people, 14 if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. 15 Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place. 16 I have chosen and consecrated this temple so that my Name may be there forever. My eyes and my heart will always be there. 17 “As for you, if you walk before me faithfully as David your father did, and do all I command, and observe my decrees and laws, 18 I will establish your royal throne, as I covenanted with David your father when I said, ‘You shall never fail to have a successor to rule over Israel.’ 19 “But if you turn away and forsake the decrees and commands I have given you and go off to serve other gods and worship them, 20 then I will uproot Israel from my land, which I have given them, and will reject this temple I have consecrated for my Name. I will make it a byword and an object of ridicule among all peoples. 21 This temple will become a heap of rubble. All who pass by will be appalled and say, ‘Why has the Lord done such a thing to this land and to this temple?’ 22 People will answer, ‘Because they have forsaken the Lord, the God of their ancestors, who brought them out of Egypt, and have embraced other gods, worshiping and serving them—that is why he brought all this disaster on them.’”



Solomonic Covenant Continued - 1 Kings 9:1-9

1 After Solomon finished building the Lord's temple, the royal palace, and all the other construction projects he had planned, 2 the Lord appeared to Solomon a second time, in the same way he had appeared to him at Gibeon. 3 The Lord said to him, "I have answered your prayer and your request for help that you made to me. I have consecrated this temple you built by making it my permanent home; I will be constantly present there. 4 You must serve me with integrity and sincerity, just as your father David did. Do everything I commanded and obey my rules and regulations. 5 Then I will allow your dynasty to rule over Israel permanently, just as I promised your father David, 'You will not fail to have a successor on the throne of Israel.'

6 "But if you or your sons ever turn away from me, fail to obey the regulations and rules I instructed you to keep, and decide to serve and worship other gods, 7 then I will remove Israel from the land I have given them, I will abandon this temple I have consecrated with my presence, and Israel will be mocked and ridiculed among all the nations. 8 This temple will become a heap of ruins; everyone who passes by it will be shocked and will hiss out their scorn, saying, 'Why did the Lord do this to this land and this temple?' 9 Others will then answer, 'Because they abandoned the Lord their God, who led their ancestors out of Egypt. They embraced other gods whom they worshiped and served. That is why the Lord has brought all this disaster down on them.'"

LET'S STUDY...

Davidic Covenant

Terms and Conditions:

- God's Promise to David:
 - David's name would be _____ (2 Samuel 7:9).
 - God's people would no longer be _____ (2 Samuel 7:10).
 - David's _____ would succeed him. (2 Samuel 7:12-13).
 - God would establish David's house (dynasty) _____ (2 Samuel 7:16).
- No Conditions on David:
 - Unlike other covenants, this one didn't require David to fulfill certain actions for God to keep His promise.
- The Future King:
 - The ultimate fulfillment of this covenant is found in _____, who reigns as the eternal King (Luke 1:32-33).

Blessings:

- David's lineage would produce the _____ (2 Samuel 7:12-13).
- His _____ would last forever.

Consequences:

- If David's descendants sinned, they would face discipline (2 Samuel 7:14-15), but God would never remove His covenant promise.

Attribute of God: Faithfulness

- This covenant shows that God keeps His promises, even when humans fail. He is faithful to His word, ensuring that Jesus, the ultimate King, came through David's lineage.

Solomonic Covenant

Terms and Conditions:

- God's Promise to Solomon:
 - If _____ obeyed God's commands, his kingdom would thrive (1 Kings 9:4-5).
 - The temple would remain a place where God's _____ dwelled (2 Chronicles 7:16).
- Conditions on Solomon:
 - He had to walk in God's ways and keep His _____ (1 Kings 2:3-4).
 - He was warned not to turn to other _____ (1 Kings 9:6-7).

Blessings for Obedience:

- A lasting throne for _____'s descendants (1 Kings 9:5).
- God's _____ and blessing over the temple and Israel (2 Chronicles 7:16).

Consequences for Disobedience:

- If Solomon or his descendants turned away from God, they would lose the _____ (1 Kings 9:6-7).
- The _____ would be destroyed, and Israel would be exiled (2 Chronicles 7:19-22).

Attribute of God: Justice

- God is just—He rewards _____ and disciplines _____. Solomon's failure to stay faithful led to the eventual division and downfall of Israel (1 Kings 11:9-11).

Choose the Type: Conditional or Unconditional

- Hint: Solomon's success depended on his _____ to God.



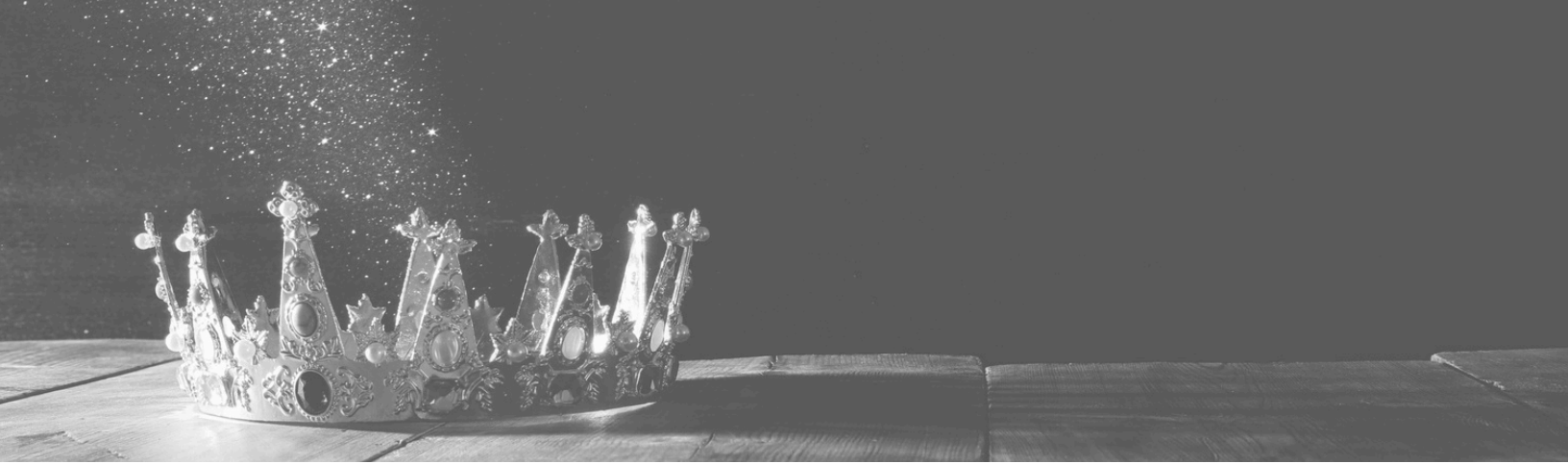
LET'S READ THE AFTER-SUMMARY TOGETHER...

The Davidic Covenant is one of those promises that paints a beautiful picture of God's faithfulness and His desire to be with His people. In 2 Samuel 7, God reminds David that He was the one who delivered Israel from oppression—not just from Egypt but from their enemies time and time again. He took them from slavery to freedom, from wandering in the desert to possessing a land of their own, and now, He was establishing them as a great nation with a king after His own heart. But God wasn't just focused on their immediate security—He was laying the foundation for something eternal. He promised David that his descendants would reign forever, ultimately pointing to Jesus Christ, the true and everlasting King. This covenant wasn't based on human effort but on God's faithfulness, proving that when He makes a promise, He keeps it.

The Solomonic Covenant, on the other hand, had conditions attached. In 1 Kings 9, God tells Solomon that as long as he and his descendants follow God's ways, their kingdom will endure. God's promise was clear—if Solomon obeyed, his rule would be strong, and God's presence would remain in the temple. But if he turned away, disaster would follow. Unfortunately, Solomon's later choices led Israel down a path of idolatry, eventually leading to division and exile. This covenant shows that while God desires to bless and dwell among His people, our obedience and faithfulness matter. When we walk in His ways, we remain in His blessings. But when we chase after things that pull us away from Him, we feel the distance—not because God leaves us, but because we stop choosing Him.

At the heart of both covenants is a deeper truth: God's desire to dwell among His people. In 2 Samuel 7, God tells David that He never asked for a temple because He had always been with His people, moving with them through their journey. Yet, He allowed Solomon to build the temple as a symbol of His presence. But even that wasn't enough—***God wasn't looking for a building; He was looking for hearts fully devoted to Him.*** That's why Jesus, the ultimate fulfillment of the Davidic Covenant, came to bring God's presence directly into our lives. Through Him, we are no longer dependent on a physical temple; we become the temple where God dwells (1 Corinthians 6:19).

This is a powerful reminder that God's desire to be with us is just as real today as it was for Israel. Whether it's through delivering us from struggles, leading us toward purpose, or calling us into deeper relationship with Him, His presence is constant. The Davidic Covenant assures us that Jesus reigns forever, and the Solomonic Covenant reminds us that staying close to Him is a daily choice. Holiness isn't about being perfect—it's about recognizing that God wants to be part of our everyday lives, guiding us, strengthening us, and walking with us, just as He did with His people long ago.



APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- Just as God delivered Israel from oppression, He desires to lead us out of the struggles that hold us back. What are some areas in your life where you need to trust God's deliverance, and how can you surrender them to Him?
- How does knowing that God is faithful to His promises, like the Davidic Covenant, give you confidence in your own relationship with Him?
 - How can you trust Him more in uncertain seasons of your life?
- The Solomonic Covenant reminds us that staying close to God is an ongoing choice—are there areas in your life where you've drifted from God's presence?
 - What practical steps can you take to realign your heart with Him?
- God's ultimate desire is to dwell among His people—how can you invite His presence into your daily life, whether through prayer, worship, or how you interact with others?

Closing Prayer...

Heavenly Father, thank You for Your faithfulness throughout history from generation to generation, from Your promise to David to the fulfillment of that promise in Jesus Christ, our eternal King. You have shown us that Your Word never fails, and through Christ, we are now part of Your everlasting kingdom. Help us to live with the confidence that we belong to You, not just as followers, but as sons and daughters of the King. May we submit to Your rule in our lives, honoring You in our decisions, our relationships, and our daily walk. Let our hearts be fully devoted to You, just as You desired from David and Solomon.



Lord, just as You once dwelled in Solomon's temple, now You dwell within us through Your Holy Spirit. Make our hearts a worthy home for Your presence. Cleanse us from anything that distracts us from You, and shape us into a people who reflect Your holiness, love, and grace. As we go about our lives, remind us that we are Your living temple, called to bring light into this world. May we walk in obedience, knowing that our true purpose is to glorify You. In Jesus name, amen.

Homework:

Read:

- 1 Corinthians 3:16-17
- 2 Corinthians 6:16
- Ephesians 2:19-22

Next Week:

We will be concluding this series: *The Faithfulness of God* with the **New Covenant**.