

## The Eternal Throne

2 Samuel 7:11-17

Nathan has received a vision from God to share with King David. We know a few things at this point. David has been established as King and he will be the lineage of which Jesus Christ would come to fulfill the forever Kingship prophecy mentioned here and in Isaiah 9:6-7, 11:1-2, and Jeremiah 23:5. I want to point out a few things about this as we examine this passage this morning. My pray, as it has been throughout this series, is that these Old Testament shadows of Christ would bolster our faith. God's throne was established forever through Jesus Christ, I want you to see that if you hear nothing else this morning. In fact, many theologians would call the Eternal Davidic Kingship the summit of the Old Testament. It takes the blessing made to Abraham in Gen. 7:16 and allows them to rest at David in the passage we will study this morning.

**I. The Lord Built His House With Christ (2 Sam. 7:11)** God had declined David's offer to build Him a house, a temple. God explains why He has declined this in verses 5 and 6. Basically, when God's people are planted at the place in which God wants them, then the temple can be built. Until then, He will travel with His people. What we see in verse 11 is really an establishment of a house, really a dynasty for David's continual reign through Christ. This is hugely significant to us to today! Are their temples in the Christian faith? The temple is you, those who are a temple of the Holy Spirit! Listen to 1 Chronicles 17:11-14 ***"When your days are fulfilled to walk with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, one of your own sons, and I will establish his kingdom. 12 He shall build a house for me, and I will establish his throne forever. 13 I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son. I will not take my steadfast love from him, as I took it from him who was before you, 14 but I will confirm him in my house and in my kingdom forever, and his throne shall be established forever."*** We know that Jesus fulfilled this in Hebrews 3:3-4 ***"For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses- as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God."***

**II. The Lord Blessed His Offspring Through Christ (2 Sam. 7:12)** This sounds really similar to Abraham's blessing doesn't it? This is a double prophecy, first fulfilled in Solomon, but the everlasting existence of David's throne finds itself in Christ Jesus. Let's look at Acts 2:30 ***"Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne,"*** Peter is explaining Christ in his famous sermon on the day of Pentecost in this context. Galatians 3:16 conveys this: ***"Now the promises were made to***

***Abraham and to his offspring. It does not say, "And to offsprings," referring to many, but referring to one, and to your offspring, who is Christ."***

**III. The Lord will Cause all to Bow at the Name of Christ (2 Sam. 7:13)** It was for God's great name that will go through the line of David to establish His eternal throne. King David's son, Solomon would reign was forty years, and the kingdom of Judah continued strong until the Babylonish captivity, and a prince that descended from him was the ruler of the people when they returned: this has its fulfilment that led to Christ, who was of his seed, to whom God has given "the throne of his father David", and who "shall reign over the house of Jacob forever", Luke 1:32 is the New Testament fulfillment of this. ***"He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. And the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David,"***

According to Philippians 2:9-10 there is coming a day when all will bow at the name of Jesus Christ the King. ***"Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth"***

**IV. The Lord Bestowed the Eternal Kingdom upon Christ (2 Sam. 7:14-16)** There is a lot of significance to this promise. It shows the special father and son relationship which is fulfilled in Christ. It also shows the David and Solomon relationship as well. Listen to Psalm 2:7 ***"I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you."*** Another prophecy of Christ being the son of God. Hebrews 1:5 shows this fulfillment. This is making it clear that God only had one son, ***"For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"?"*** Two cult groups, both the Mormon Church (LDS) and the Jehovah Witnesses, I have friends in both, believe something contrary to scripture here. 1. The Mormons believe that Jesus and Satan are brothers. We know biblically that Satan was a fallen angel described in Isaiah 14:12-15. Also 2. The JWs believe Jesus is Michael the archangel. Both views are not biblical.

- a. Our punishment was placed upon Christ (v.14) Initially we look at this passage and say, well Jesus never sinned, which is correct. Solomon sinned though! The guy had several wives, you know he was always in trouble! Our punishment was placed upon Christ. Jesus was punished in our place. As we've seen this dual prophecy, dealing both with Solomon and Christ was indeed fulfilled by both of them. How do you know if prophecy is true? Was it fulfilled? In Christ it was fulfilled.
- a. His passion will be for His people. (v. 15) John 3:16 is a very good supplemental verse to this passage.
- b. His position as King will be eternal (v. 16)

Have you made Jesus your King? Have you asked Him to rule the throne of your life? Every knee will bow and every tongue will confess that Jesus is Lord, either out of rejoicing or out of regret.