

2 Samuel 7:12-14

An Eternal Kingdom

Text: 2 Samuel 7:1-16

Introduction:

1. God had promised that the seed of woman would crush the head of the serpent and the enemy of man would be defeated (Genesis 3:15).
2. He showed that this victory would include blessedness for all through the seed of Abraham (Genesis 12:1-3).
3. This Victor would be a mediator (Job 19:23-27), a ruler (Genesis 49:10), a star (Numbers 24:17), a prophet (Deuteronomy 18:15-19), a priest (1 Samuel 2:35), and a king (1 Samuel 2:10).
4. As a King, the Messiah would rule over an eternal kingdom...

- I. THE HOUSE OF DAVID (2 SAMUEL 7:1, 11, 16)
 - A. Upon becoming king over all Israel, David captured the city of Jerusalem for the Lord (2 Samuel 5:6-9).
 - B. There, David built a house for himself - a palace for the King (2 Samuel 5:11).
 - C. As magnificent as this house was, it was not the house that David desired to build.
- II. THE HOUSE OF GOD (2 SAMUEL 7:2-7)
 - A. More than anything, David wanted to build a house for Jehovah - one of extravagance.
 - B. He made this known to Nathan the prophet who encouraged him to do this.
 - C. However, God had something to say about this plan and this house.
 1. He reminded David that He had not needed a house up to this time.
 2. He reminded David that He had authorized the Tabernacle.
 3. He reminded David that He had travelled with Israel by the Tabernacle.
 4. He reminded David that He had never asked His people to build Him a house.
 - D. In fact, God said, "Thou shalt not build me a house to dwell in" (1 Chronicles 17:4) - meaning that David would not be the one to do this.
 - E. God wanted His people to understand what a Temple would represent and also what it would not provide.
 1. God did not need a house to live among His people (cf. Acts 7:47-49).
 2. The presence of the Temple did not guarantee the presence or approval of God (cf. Ezekiel 11:22-23; Matthew 23:37-39; 2 Chronicles 36:18-19; Matthew 24:1ff).
 - F. Thus, David would not be allowed to build a house for God.
- III. THE PROMISE OF GOD (2 SAMUEL 7:8-11)
 - A. Instead of David building a house for God, God would build a house for David!
 - B. David was overwhelmed and grateful for this promise (2 Samuel 7:18-29).
 - C. Yet, God was drawing David's focus to His ultimate purpose - the sending of the Messiah and the establishing of the church.

Prophecy of Jesus

- III. THE PROPHECY FULFILLED IN JESUS (2 SAMUEL 7:12-17)
- A. When David was dead, God would raise up his descendant and establish his kingdom.
 - B. This descendant would build a house for the Lord's name.
 - C. The kingdom of this man would be established forever.
 - D. God would be His Father and He would be God's Son.
 - E. This is more than a reference to Solomon (1 Kings 8:15-20), for Solomon was not the Son of God and his kingdom was not established forever.
 - F. In fact, this is a prophecy of Jesus the Messiah and His kingdom, the church.
 - G. Jesus is the true Temple of God (John 2:19) and the church is God's house (Luke 1:32-33; 1 Timothy 3:15).
 - H. Peter declared that this passage was a prophecy of Jesus (Acts 2:30).
 - I. Clearly, Jesus was a descendant of David (Matthew 1:1; 22:42; John 7:42; Acts 13:22-23; etc.)
 - J. Jesus reigns over His kingdom from the throne of David (Luke 1:32-33; Psalm 89:35-37; 132:11; Isaiah 9:7).
 - K. Jesus built the house of God, the church (Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 1:20-23; Zechariah 6:12-13; Hebrews 3:3; 1 Peter 2:5).
 - L. His kingdom will stand until the end of time (1 Corinthians 15:24-26).
 - M. Obviously, Jesus is the Son of God (Matthew 3:17; John 3:16; Hebrews 1:5; etc.).
 - N. David was a prophet of God and foresaw the coming of the Messiah and His kingdom.
 - O. That kingdom exists today and anyone can be a part of it by obeying the Gospel of Christ.