

WE WILL CONSIDER

- God promised King David that he would have a special son who would rule for ever.
- The special son is Jesus Christ who is the descendant of David and also the son of God.
- Jesus Christ will return to the earth to set up God's Kingdom, and David will be raised from the dead to see his son ruling on his throne for ever.

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Personal Promise

God made David some special promises. He told David that his name would be great in the earth, and also that the nation of Israel would rest peacefully in the land of Israel.

God also promised David a special son who would be the son of God. This son would build a house for God and rule on David's throne for ever. The promised King is the Lord Jesus Christ.

“Say to My servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts, I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over My people Israel. And I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you. And I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth.’”

2 Samuel 7:8-9

God promised that He would make David's name great in the earth. This has come true – David was a great King and a great Bible man of faith.

Promise to Israel

“I will appoint a place for My people Israel and will plant them, so that they may dwell in their own place and be disturbed no more. And violent men shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel. And I will give you rest from all your enemies.”

Samuel 7:10-11

God promised that Israel would be planted and safe. This was not fulfilled straight away, as the people were taken captive into Babylon, then later on sent throughout the whole world. Although the Jews have now come back to the land, they are still not safe. This promise will come to pass in the future (Jeremiah 32:37-42) when Jesus comes back to the earth.

Promise of a Son, a House and a Kingdom

“When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to Me a son.”

2 Samuel 7:12-14

David's son Solomon became the next king and built a Temple for God's name (2 Chronicles 6:10). The promise was not completely fulfilled in Solomon, though. God promised someone who would become king after David's death and be enthroned forever. But Solomon was king before David's death (1 Kings 1:48); Solomon himself died (1 Kings 11:43); and his kingdom was destroyed by the Babylonians (2 Chronicles 36:18).

God also promised that this son of David would be His own son: “I will be to him a Father and he shall be to Me a son” (2 Samuel 7:14). Jesus Christ was the son of God; and he was born of Mary, who was a descendant of King David. God told Mary, “You will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus. 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, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end.” (Luke 1:31-33). The promised King who will rule for ever is Jesus Christ! He will soon return to the earth (Acts 1:11) and rule as King.

David will be Raised from the Dead

“Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before [you]. Your throne shall be established forever.”

2 Samuel 7:16

This is how the quotation reads in the original language, Hebrew. Some translations say “Your house and your kingdom will be made sure forever before Me” – which is also true – but the promise is actually to David himself. Although David would die (2 Samuel 7:12), God promised that he would rise from the dead to see his kingdom established forever. This was David's hope (Psalm 71:20-21).

Our hope is the same: to be given eternal life when Jesus Christ rules the earth.

More information

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SUMMARY

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This son would build a house for God.

He would rule on the throne of David for ever.

This special son is Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ will return to the earth to rule for ever.

David will rise from the dead.

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