

The Covenant of Grace

Oakwood Presbyterian Church

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Covenants Within the Covenant

- Adamic Covenant – “The Covenant of Commencement”
- Noahic Covenant – “The Covenant of Preservation”
- Abrahamic Covenant – “The Covenant of Promise”
- Mosaic Covenant – “The Covenant of Law”
- **Davidic Covenant – “The Covenant of the Kingdom”**
- The New Covenant – “The Covenant of Consummation”

Seed of the Serpent vs. Seed of the Woman



“I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.”

Genesis 3:15

The Promise to Abraham & His Offspring

“Now the LORD said to Abram, ‘Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed... Then the LORD appeared to Abram and said, ‘To your offspring I will give this land.’ So he built there an altar to the LORD...”

Genesis 12:1-3,7



From Moses to Samuel

“Israel served the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders who outlived Joshua and had known all the work that the LORD did for Israel.”

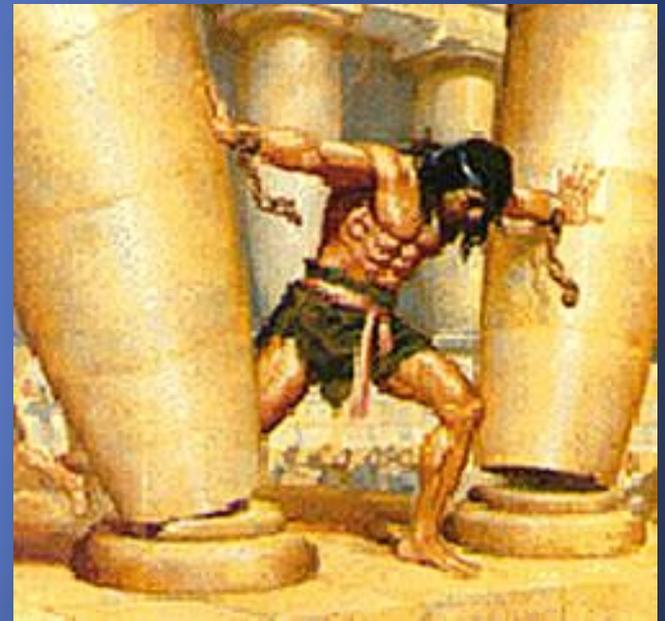
Joshua 24:31

“In those days there was no king in Israel. Everyone did what was right in his own eyes.”

Judges 21:25

“Then all the elders of Israel... came to Samuel... and said to him, ‘...Now appoint for us a king to judge us like all the nations.’ ...And the LORD said to Samuel, ‘Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them.’”

I Samuel 8:4-7



God's Chosen King



“The LORD said to Samuel, ‘How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for Myself a king among his sons.’”

I Samuel 16:1

“And the king and his men went to Jerusalem against the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land... David took the stronghold of Zion, that is, the city of David.”

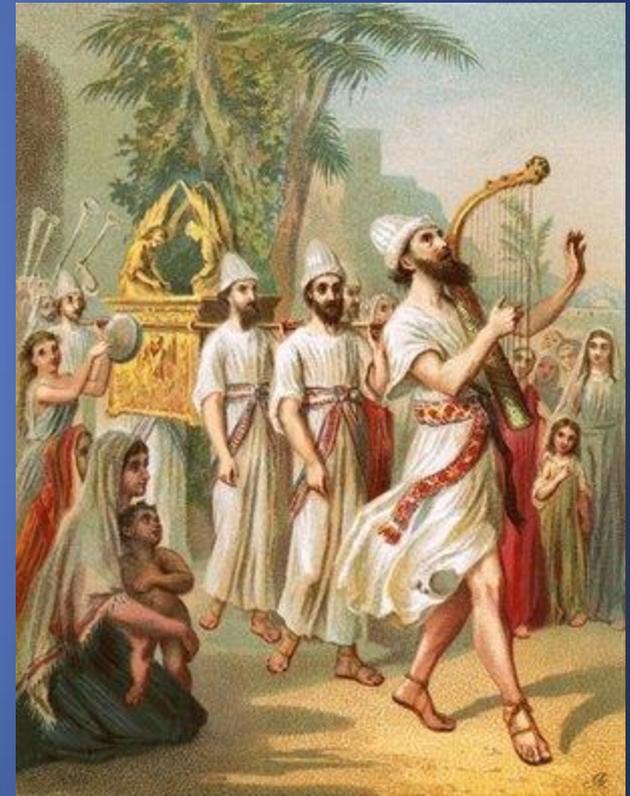
II Samuel 5:6,7

The Throne of God

“David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing.”
II Samuel 6:12

“Now when the king lived in his house and the LORD had given him rest from all his surrounding enemies, the king said to Nathan the prophet, ‘See now, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of God dwells in a tent.’”
II Samuel 7:1,2

“[David] publicly displayed his desire to see his own rule in Israel related immediately to the throne of God. In this manner the concept of the Theocracy found it’s fullest expression.”
O. Palmer Robertson



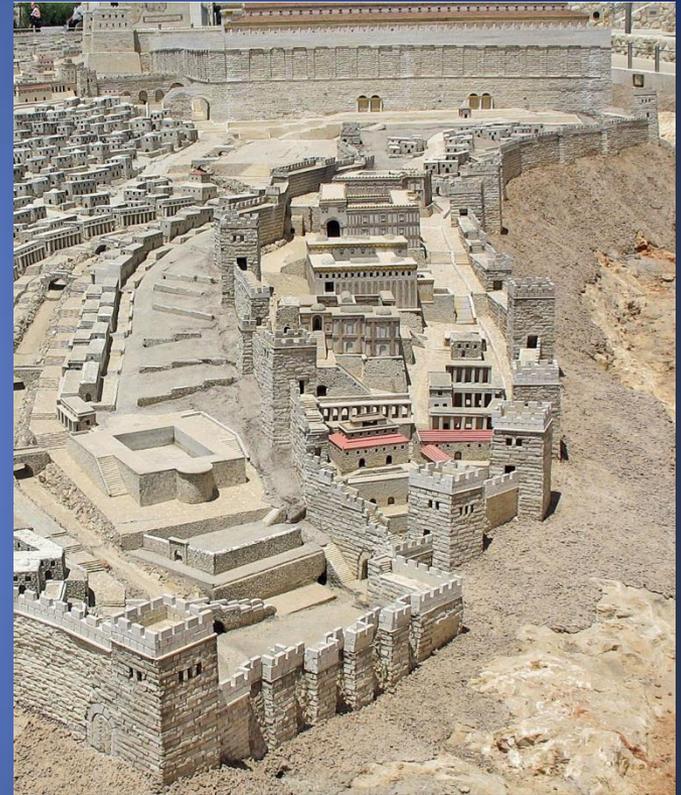
The Davidic Covenant



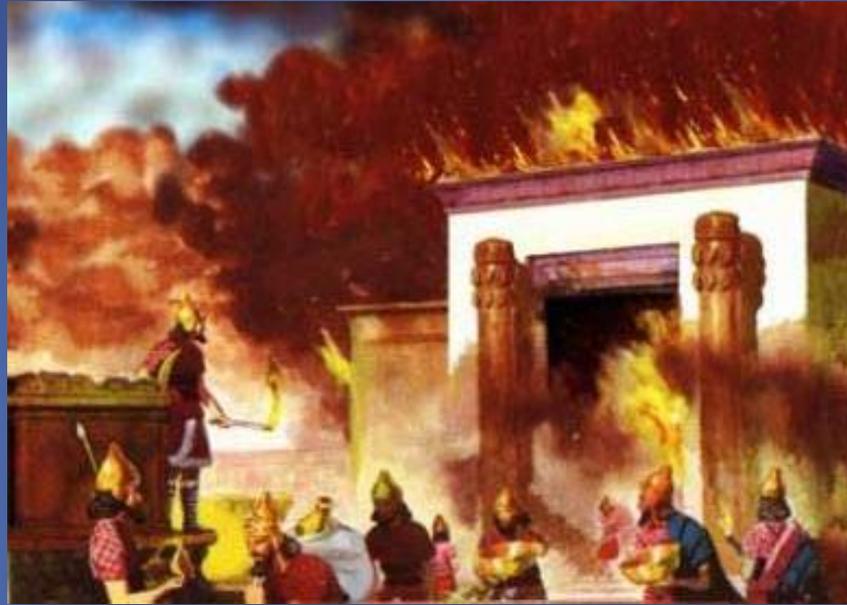
“...the word of the LORD came to Nathan, ‘Go and tell my servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD: Would you build me a house to dwell in? ...***I have been with you*** wherever you went and ***have cut off all your enemies*** from before you. And ***I will make for you a great name***, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And ***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.*** Moreover, the LORD declares to you that ***the LORD will make you a house... 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.***” II Samuel 7:5-14

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- Great Nation – Land of Rest – Blessing to All Nations

“The provisions of the Davidic covenant center on two promises... The purposes of God in redeeming a people to Himself center on these two points: David’s line and Jerusalem’s throne.” O. Palmer Robertson



Conditional Promises?

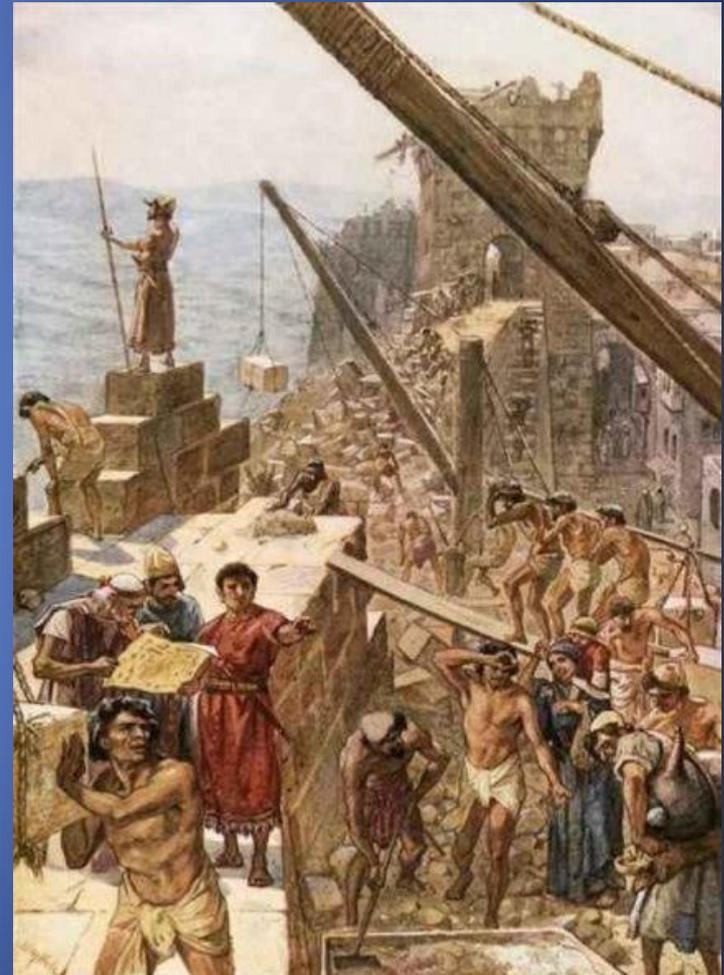


“...the Lord appeared to Solomon... And the Lord said to him... ‘if you will walk before Me, as David your father walked... doing according to all that I have commanded you, and keeping My statutes and My rules, then I will establish your royal throne over Israel forever... *But if you turn aside from following Me, you or your children, and do not keep My commandments... but go and serve other gods and worship them, then I will cut off Israel from the land that I have given them, and the house that I have consecrated for My name I will cast out of My sight...*” I Kings 9:1-7

Discipline & Judgment

“I will be to him a father, and he shall be to Me a son. When he commits iniquity, I will discipline him with the rod of men, with the stripes of the sons of men, but My steadfast love will not depart from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before Me. Your throne shall be established forever.” II Samuel 7:14-16

“And [Jehoram] did what was evil in the sight of the LORD. Yet the LORD was not willing to destroy Judah, for the sake of David His servant, since He promised to give a lamp to him and to his sons forever.” II Kings 8:18,19



Violations of the Covenant Stipulations



“Under the old covenant, the chastening of God’s sons often was intermingled with the destruction of the reprobate. It was not always apparent which type of judgment was being administered... [Jesus Christ] satisfied in Himself all the obligations of the covenant. Not only did He maintain perfectly every statute and ordinance of the Mosaic law as required of David. He also bore in Himself the chastening judgments deserved by David’s seed through their covenant violations.”

O. Palmer Robertson

God's Covenant Faithfulness

“I have made a covenant with My chosen one; I have sworn to David My servant: ‘I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations... I will not violate My covenant or alter the word that went forth from My lips... His offspring shall endure forever, his throne as long as the sun before Me.’”

Psalm 89:3,4; 34-36

“Thus says the LORD: If you can break My covenant with the day and My covenant with the night, so that day and night will not come at their appointed time, then also My covenant with David My servant may be broken, so that he shall not have a son to reign on his throne...”

Jeremiah 33:20,21



The Shadow-Kingdom



“Now God’s people were no longer tent-dwellers, always on the move, pilgrims without a permanent dwelling place. Instead, they were inhabitants of a kingdom, settled and secure... in a very real sense, God’s kingdom had come... the shadow-kingdom of Israel was real. God was reigning in their midst. But it was nonetheless only a shadow of the reality to come.” O. Palmer Robertson

The King Has Come

“Do not be afraid, 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 1:30-33



“Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, ‘The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.’”

Mark 1:14,15

“... if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.”

Matthew 12:28



The Spiritual Kingdom



“Jesus answered, ‘My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But My kingdom is not from the world.’” John 18:36

“And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations...’” Matthew 29:18,19

Ascension to the Throne

“I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and He came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him. And to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him; His dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and His kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.”

Daniel 7:13,14



The Consummation of the Kingdom



“Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, ‘The Lord said to my Lord, ‘Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool.’ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.” Acts 2:33-36

“Then comes the end, when [Christ] delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet.”

I Corinthians 15:24,25

“Born of the Virgin Mary, of the line of David, as God’s true Son, holy and blameless, Christ came as the temple builder for God’s name... He imputed His righteousness to us, and His blood purged away all our sins to make us the temple of the living God. So, in Revelation 21:3, when the Lord says, ‘Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man,’ this is true because Christ fulfilled the Davidic covenant... As we see the evil of the present world, the Davidic covenant assures us that our citizenship is in Christ’s heavenly kingdom. As his citizens, we serve our King in this present age by letting our good works shine as a testimony to His Lordship. Our hope is not in earthly presidents, governors, or armies, but in the heavenly Kingship of Christ. He is protecting us until the last trumpet when He comes as the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.”

Brown & Keele, Sacred Bond