

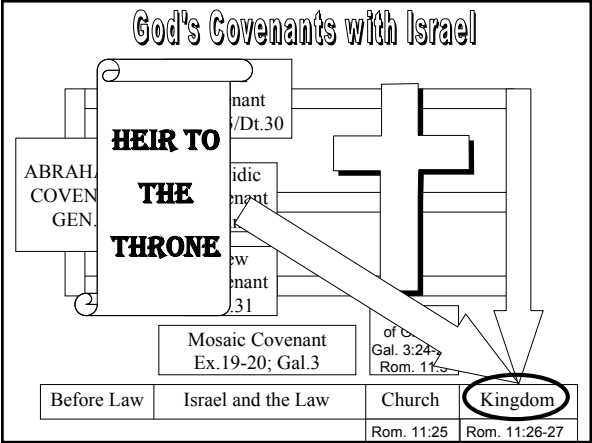
THE DAVIDIC COVENANT
2 SAMUEL 7:8-16

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KEY PASSAGES

- 2 Sam. 7:8-16
- Messianic Psalms (2; 45:6-7; 48; 72; 89; 110; 132:11-12)
- Amos 9:9-15
- Ezek. 37:24-25
- Is. 9:6-7

THE DAVIDIC COVENANT: ITS STANDING WITHIN THE COVENANT PROGRAM



“THE SEED”

- Many of the crucial issues in eschatology are clarified within the context of the Davidic Covenant.
- Three central features:
 - Throne
 - Temple
 - Kingdom

“THE SEED”

- The SEED in the Abrahamic Covenant...
- The SEED in the Palestinian Covenant...
- The SEED in the New Covenant...

GENESIS 22:18

"In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

GENESIS 26:4

"And I will make your descendants multiply as the stars of heaven; I will give to your descendants all these lands; and in your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed"

GENESIS 28:14

"Also your descendants shall be as the dust of the earth... and in you and in your seed all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

"THE SEED"

- **The SEED in the Abrahamic Covenant...**
- **The SEED in the Palestinian Covenant...**
 - **Land necessitates rulership, and rulership requires a Ruler.**
 - **"...God will bring you to the land...and you shall possess it..." (Deut. 30:5)**

"THE SEED"

- **The SEED in the New Covenant...**

JEREMIAH 31:36-37

"If those ordinances depart From before Me, says the Lord, *Then* the seed of Israel shall also cease From being a nation before Me forever. ...If heaven above can be measured, And the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, I will also cast off all the seed of Israel..."

EZEKIEL 37:22-24

"and I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king over them all... Then they shall be My people, and I will be their God. David My servant *shall be* king over them..."

THE DAVIDIC COVENANT: ITS SUBSTANCE

KEY COMPONENTS

- David is to have a child, yet to be born, who will succeed him and establish his kingdom (2 Sam. 7:12).
- This son (Solomon) will build the temple instead of David (2 Sam. 7:13).
- The throne of Solomon's kingdom will be established forever (2 Sam. 7:13).

KEY COMPONENTS

- Solomon's throne will not be removed even though his sins justify such discipline (2 Sam. 7:14-15).
- David's "house, kingdom, and throne" will be established forever (2 Sam. 7:16).

THE DAVIDIC COVENANT: ITS SCOPE

UNCONDITIONAL

- "I will..." language (2 Sam. 7:12-16; Amos 9:11-15)
- Like the other unconditional covenants, it is called eternal (2 Sam. 7:13, 16; 23:5; Is. 55:3; Ezek. 37:25).
- It amplifies the seed element of the Abrahamic covenant, which is clearly unconditional.

UNCONDITIONAL

- The promises relative to the covenant are stated in terms of their universal and eternal presence.

1 KINGS 2:45

"But King Solomon *shall be* blessed, and the throne of David shall be established before the Lord forever."

1 KINGS 9:5

"then I will establish the throne of your kingdom over Israel forever, as I promised David your father, saying, 'You shall not fail to have a man on the throne of Israel.'"

1 CHRONICLES 17:14

"And I will establish him in My house and in My kingdom forever; and his throne shall be established forever."

1 CHRONICLES 22:10

"He shall build a house for My name, and he shall be My son, and I *will be* his Father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel forever."

2 CHRONICLES 21:7

"Yet the Lord would not destroy the house of David, because of the covenant that He had made with David, and since He had promised to give a lamp to him and to his sons forever."

PSALM 45:6

**"Your throne, O God, *is*
forever and ever; A
scepter of righteousness
is the scepter of Your
kingdom."**

LITERAL

- **Literal-grammatical-historical hermeneutic**
 - **The covenant was made with Israel (2 Sam. 7:10).**
 - **A normal, plain reading of the text demands literal fulfillment.**
- **It was confirmed by a literal oath (Ps. 132:11; 89:3).**

LITERAL

- **The conviction of Solomon in 2 Chron. 6:14-17 indicates that he understood it literally.**
- **David himself understood it literally (cf. Ps. 110:1).**
- **The phrase "throne of David" is used in a literal sense elsewhere in Scripture (cf. Jer. 17:25; 22:4; 29:16; 2 Sam. 3:10; 1 Kings 2:24).**

LITERAL

- **The way in which the covenant has been interpreted throughout history by the Jews indicates that they felt it was a literal promise (cf. Matt. 3:2; 4:17; 10:5-7; Acts 1:6).**
- **The portions that have been fulfilled already have been fulfilled literally.**

LITERAL

- **The New Testament teaching on the kingdom verifies the literal nature of the promise. For example:**
 - **Luke 1:31-33; 19:11**
 - **Matthew 25**
 - **Acts 1:6; 13:32-39; 15:13-17**
 - **Hebrews 1-2**

**THE DAVIDIC
COVENANT: ITS
PROPHETIC
SIGNIFICANCE**

FUTURE EVENTS

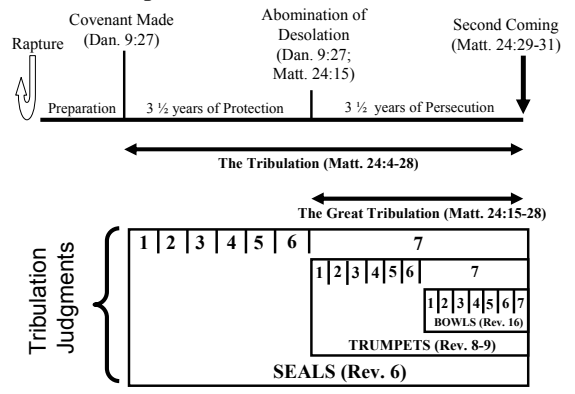
- Israel must be brought back to her promised land.
- David's Seed, Jesus Christ, must return to the earth in bodily form to rule and reign on the promised throne, in the promised house and over the promised earthly Kingdom.
- This kingdom must become an eternal kingdom.

WHEN WILL THIS HAPPEN?

THE SECOND COMING

- Revelation 19-20
- Zechariah 14:1-9
- Isaiah 66:14-16
- Joel 2:30-32
- Matthew 24:29-31; 25:31-46

Dispensational Premillennialism



CHALLENGE

- Worship the One who has the right to the throne.
- Walk in obedience to the One who has the right to rule.
- Anticipate the day when we will welcome the One whose kingdom has no end.