The Chronicles of the Kings of Judah

God’s Promise to David
Lesson 4
1 Chronicles 17-20

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The Promise in the Bible

- Genesis 1:1
  - “In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth.”

- 2 Peter 3:13
  - “But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.”

- Revelation 21:1-2
  - “Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away, and there is no longer any sea. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God.” See Hebrews 11:10.

- The Biblical Story: The fall and redemption
- The end: Christ rules on the throne of David
God’s Promise to David

- A monarchy and a Presence
- The revelation of the Promise is complete
- Chronicles focuses on the Promise in world history
- The Promise is hidden – except to eyes of faith
- No new history but directs our attention to David
  - The Monarchy of David
  - The Presence of the LORD in Jerusalem
  - The decline and fall of David’s Monarchy
  - A note of hope at the end (cf. Isaiah 44:28)
Outline of 1&2 Chronicles

- Genealogy (1 Chron. 1-9)
- United Kingdom of Israel (1 Chron. 10 to 2 Chron. 9)
- Divided Kingdom (2 Chronicles 10-36)
Lesson 4: God’s Promise to David

- The Davidic Promise (17:1-15)
- The Prayer of David (17:16-27)
- David’s Wars (18-20)
- The Davidic Covenant in the Plan of God
The Davidic Covenant (17:1-15)

- The Ark of the Covenant in a tent
- God does not want a house to dwell in
- God’s Word/Promise to David:
  - I will make David a name like the great ones on the earth (17:8)
  - I will appoint a place for My people Israel – permanent (17:9-10)
  - I will build a house for David (17:10)
  - I will set up an everlasting Kingdom for a son of David (17:11-12)
  - I will be His Father and He shall be My son (17:13)
  - I will not take My loving-kindness from Him (17:13)
- This is an everlasting covenant (2 Samuel 23:5)
The Prayer of David (17:16-27)

- The grace of God (17:16-22)
  - The insignificance of David (17:16)
  - The magnificence of the Promise (17:17)
  - The grace of God (17:18-19)
  - The magnificence of God (17:20)
  - The exaltation of Israel – forever (17:21-22)

- The request of David (17:23-27)
  - Let the Word of the LORD come to pass (17:23-24)
  - “Forever” – 8 times in 6 verses (17:12, 14[x2], 22-24, 27[x2])
  - This is the promise of God (17:25-27) – unconditional
  - Purpose: to make a Name for God (17:21, 24)
The King on David’s Throne

- Rule of God in Christ is taught throughout the Bible
  - “Possessor of heaven and earth” (Genesis 14:18-22)
  - Rejected Me as king over them (1 Samuel 8:7)
  - The LORD your God is your king (1 Samuel 12:12)
  - “The LORD reigns” (1 Chron 16:31)
  - Most High rules over the realm of mankind (Daniel 4:17, 25, 32, 34)

- David’s throne is in Jerusalem and only over Israel
  - Zech 9:9-10 – the Kingdom will be extended to world wide
  - Christ rules in heaven and earth
  - Christ will some day have a throne on earth (David’s Throne)
David's Wars (18-20)

- 1 Chronicles 22:8 – David was a man of war
- David defeated the Philistines (18:1; 20:4-8), Moabites (18:2), Hadadezer, king of Zobah (18:3-4, 7-8), Arameans (18:5-6; 19:16-19), Edomites (18:12-13), Ammonites (19:1-19; 20:1-3)
- Tou, king of Hamath's gift (18:9-11) – gift for the Temple
- David's rule in justice and righteousness (18:14-17)
- Balaam’s prophecy (Numbers 24:17-24)
The Everlasting Covenant

> An agreement made by the Triune God to establish the Son of God as Ruler in righteousness over creation through His works of Creation and Salvation.

> Hebrews 13:20-21
  - God of peace
  - Substitutionary atonement
  - Working in you . . . to do His will
  - For His glory (cf. Rom 11:33-36)
  - Everlasting

> One Everlasting Covenant
The Everlasting Covenant

- Garden of Eden – not a Covenant of works
- Noah (Genesis 9)
  - Between Noah and all flesh on the earth
  - Never again cut off all flesh by a flood
- Abraham (Genesis 12:1-3; 17:2-8; 13; 19; Ps 105:8-11)
  - Blessing – salvation
  - A great nation in the land of Canaan
  - Blessing to all families of the earth
  - The Seed – Christ
Phinehas (Num 25:11-13; Psalm 106:28-31)
- A covenant of peace – everlasting priesthood
- Justification by faith – imputed righteousness forever

David
- Everlasting Covenant (2 Samuel 23:5)
- “For all my salvation” (2 Samuel 23:5)
- A permanent location for Israel
- An everlasting kingdom (in Zion)
- Son of David, Son of God
The Everlasting Covenant

▷ Isaiah
  • The curse on the earth – the Everlasting Covenant broken – Isaiah 24:5
  • A restoration by the Everlasting Covenant – Isaiah 55:3
  • Future blessing by the Everlasting Covenant – Isaiah 61:8

▷ Jeremiah
  • Jeremiah 32:36-44 (40) – restoration of Israel by way of a new heart
  • Jeremiah 50:4-5 – restoration of Israel by the Everlasting Covenant
  • Jeremiah 31:31-34 – a "New Covenant" – Israel restored by salvation
    – I will write the Law of God in their hearts
    – I will be their God and they will be My people
    – They will all know Me
    – I will forgive their iniquity and forget their sins
The Everlasting Covenant

- Ezekiel
  - Ezekiel 16:60-63 – restoration by the Everlasting Covenant
  - Ezekiel 37:26 – Covenant of peace is the Everlasting Covenant

- Everlasting Covenant in the New Testament
  - Hebrews 13:20-21

- New Covenant
  - Matt 26:28; Mark 14:24; Luke 22:20; 1 Cor 11:25 – Communion
  - 2 Cor 3:6 – New Covenant servants
  - Hebrews 8:8, 13; 9:15 – contrast with Old Covenant
  - Hebrews 12:24 – Jesus is the Mediator of the New Covenant
The Everlasting Covenant

- The Davidic Covenant is part of the Everlasting Covenant
- The Everlasting Covenant is God's work of salvation
  - Preservation of His creation by the saving work of Jesus Christ
  - Basis for salvation in the Old and New Testament . . . to this day.
  - Ends with an Eternal Kingdom on the earth with Christ the King
  - Rule will be from the New Jerusalem
  - A unique eternal role for Israel
- The Everlasting Covenant is the New Covenant
God’s Promise to David

- Jesus Christ, the Son of David, will rule on the throne of David from Jerusalem in an eternal kingdom of righteousness.
- Entry into the Kingdom is by grace through faith.
- The Everlasting Covenant is intended to establish and magnify the Name of the LORD forever (1 Chronicles 17:24)