

Journal Page

Write about other people in your family who trust in Jesus. What have you learned from them? You may also list family members you would like to pray for.



FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Why did David want to build a temple for God?
- Why do you think God stopped David from building a temple?
- How do you think David felt, knowing about God's promise to send the Messiah through David's family?

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God Made a Covenant with David

2 Samuel 7

**MAIN POINT: GOD PROMISED THAT JESUS
WOULD COME FROM DAVID'S FAMILY.**

God chose David to be king of Israel. One day, David was talking with Nathan the prophet. David wanted to build a temple for the ark of God. He told Nathan his plans.

"God is with you. Do what you want!" Nathan said. That night, God gave Nathan a message for David.

"David, are you going to build a house for Me to live in? Did I ever ask anyone to build a temple for Me? You used to be a shepherd, David. But I made you a king. I promise you, David, that you and your descendants will be kings. When you die, one of your sons will be king. He will build a house for Me. The king will always be someone in your family."

Nathan told David everything God said. David went into the tent he had set up for the ark of the Lord. He sat down and prayed.

"God, You are so great! There is no one like You! Please keep Your promises to me and my descendants. I am confident You will keep Your promises because You are trustworthy."

Christ Connection: God promised David that every future king of Israel would come from David's family, and David's kingdom would last forever. God kept His promise by sending His Son, Jesus, to be one of David's descendants. Jesus is our King who will rule over God's people forever.

Word Choices

Choose the correct words to complete the story. If you need help, read 2 Samuel 7:11-13.

“The Lord Himself will make _____ (a house / breakfast) for you. When your time comes and you _____ (play / rest) with your fathers, I will raise up after you your _____ (pet / descendant), ... and I will establish his _____ (kingdom / schedule). He will build a _____ (tower / house) for My name, and I will establish the _____ (chair / throne) of his kingdom _____ (forever / for 50 years).”

Timeline Maze

Make your way through the maze. Which Bible people do you encounter?

