

Lesson 16

David Plans to Build A Temple
(2 Samuel 7:1-29; 1 Chronicles 17:1-27)

Questions

1. What did Nathan tell David when David suggested building a house for the Lord (7:1-3; 1 Chron. 17:1-2)?
2. What did the Lord tell David concerning his building a house for the Lord (7:4-7; 1 Chron. 17:3-6)?
3. What did the Lord tell David concerning his present blessings toward David (7:8-11; 1 Chron. 17:7-10)?
4. What did the Lord tell David concerning his future blessings toward David (7:12-17; 1 Chron. 17:11-15)?
5. How did David describe himself in response to the Lord's words (7:18-21; 1 Chron. 17:16-19)?
6. How did David describe the Lord in response to the Lord's words (7:22-27; 1 Chron. 20-25)?
7. How did David close his prayer to the Lord (7:28-29; 1 Chron. 17:26-27)?

Digging Deeper

1. What did the Psalmist write in Psalm 132 concerning David's desire to build the Lord a house (7:1-2)?

2. When did the Lord command there to be judges over his people and when did he bring them out of Egypt (7:11, 23; 1 Chron. 17:10, 21)?

3. What are the two senses in which the word “house” is used in 2 Samuel 7 and 1 Chronicles 17 and what is the Lord giving to (or, making with) David in this chapter?

4. When did God take his loving-kindness from Saul (7:15)?

5. When was the promise and prophecy of 2 Samuel 7:12-16 fulfilled (see Psa. 89:3-4, 19-37; 132:11; Isa. 9:7; 16:5; 22:22; 55:3; Jer. 23:5; 30:9; 33:15-21; Ezek. 34:23-24; 37:24-25; Hos. 3:5; Amos 9:11; Zech. 13:1; Lk. 1:32-33; Jn. 7:42; Acts 13:22-39; 15:16-18; Rom. 1:3; 2 Tim. 2:8; and Rev. 3:7; 5:5; 22:16)?

6. What did Ethan the Ezrahite write in Psalm 89 concerning the Lord’s covenant with David in 2 Samuel 7? What bearing do Psalm 16 and Psalm 110 have on the fulfillment of the Lord’s covenant with David (see Peter’s reference to these two psalms in Acts 2:25-35)?

Applications for Today

1. It is more important to do what is in the Lord’s heart than to do what is in our heart (7:3, 21; Psa. 132:1-5).
2. When God is silent on a matter, do not presume to act (7:7; Acts 15:24).
3. Jesus still sits on David’s throne in his kingdom forever (7:12-16; Lk. 1:32-33).
4. We should respond as humble servants when the Lord speaks to us (7:18-21; 1 Pet. 5:5).
5. We should praise the greatness of the Lord when he speaks to us (7:22-27; Rev. 11:17; 15:3).
6. The Lord’s words are truth (7:28; Psa. 119:160; Jn. 17:17).
7. The Lord will bless his people (7:29; Acts 3:26; Eph. 1:3; Rev. 14:13; 19:9; 20:6).