

# Bible reading

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<sup>6</sup> Then he called for his son Solomon and charged him to build a house for the LORD, the God of Israel.

<sup>7</sup> David said to Solomon: “My son, I had it in my heart to build a house for the Name of the LORD my God.

<sup>8</sup> But this word of the LORD came to me: ‘You have shed much blood and have fought many wars. You are not to build a house for my Name, because you have shed much blood on the earth in my sight.

<sup>9</sup> But you will have a son who will be a man of peace and rest, and I will give him rest from all his enemies on every side. His name will be Solomon, and I will grant Israel peace and quiet during his reign.



# 1 Chronicles 22:6–13

<sup>10</sup> He is the one who will build a house for my Name. He will be my son, and I will be his father. And I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel forever.’

<sup>11</sup> “Now, my son, the LORD be with you, and may you have success and build the house of the LORD your God, as he said you would.

<sup>12</sup> May the LORD give you discretion and understanding when he puts you in command over Israel, so that you may keep the law of the LORD your God.

<sup>13</sup> Then you will have success if you are careful to observe the decrees and laws that the LORD gave Moses for Israel. Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or discouraged.

# What's next?

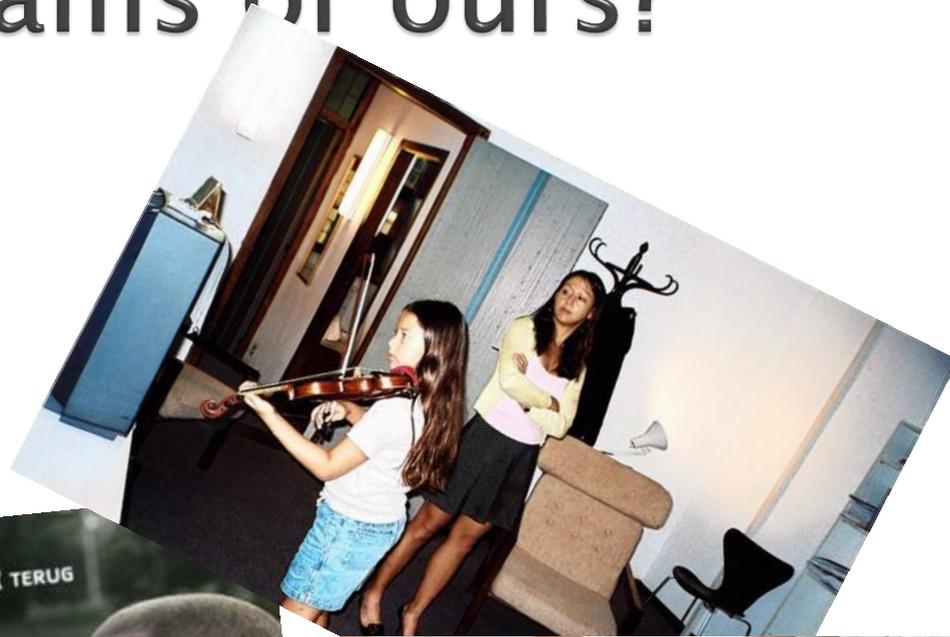
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# Their dreams or ours?



# Context

- ▶ First king of Israel: Saul, fails as king
- ▶ Then God chose David
- ▶ David fought many wars
- ▶ In a peaceful period, David (2 Samuel 7)
  - Wants to build a temple for the Lord
  - Nathan tells him his (yet unborn) son will build it
- ▶ More wars, dark period, Batsheba, kills Uriah
- ▶ David restored, Salomon born
- ▶ David's death
- ▶ Salomon, his son, becomes king (1 Kings 6)
  - King of peace
  - Builds the temple of the Lord

# David

- ▶ **1 Kings 3:14: Pleasing God**

And if you walk in obedience to me and keep my decrees and commands as David your father did, I will give you a long life.”

- ▶ **Acts 13:22: A man after Gods heart**

After removing Saul, he made David their king. God testified concerning him: ‘I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.’

- ▶ **Matthew 1:1: Jesus is called Son of David**

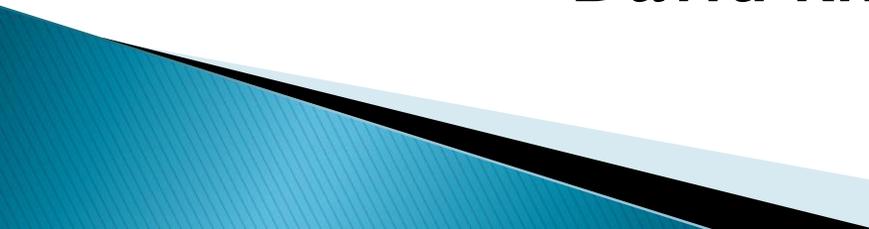
# Why build a temple

Deuteronomy 12:

You must not worship the LORD your God in their way. <sup>5</sup> But you are to seek the place the LORD your God will choose from among all your tribes to put his Name there for his dwelling. To that place you must go;

- ▶ Don't worship the Lord at random places
- ▶ look for a place for the Lord to settle
- ▶ There you can worship

*David knew he found it*



# 2 Samuel 7: I am patient

After the king was settled in his palace and the LORD had given him **rest from all his enemies** around him, <sup>2</sup> he said to Nathan the prophet, “Here I am, living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God remains in a tent.”

<sup>3</sup> Nathan replied to the king, “**Whatever you have in mind, go ahead and do it, for the LORD is with you.**”

<sup>4</sup> But that night the word of the LORD came to Nathan, saying:

<sup>5</sup> “Go and tell my servant David, ‘This is what the LORD says: Are you the one to build me a house to dwell in? <sup>6</sup> I have not dwelt in a house from the day I brought the Israelites up out of Egypt to this day. I have been moving from place to place with a tent as my dwelling.<sup>7</sup> Wherever I have moved with all the Israelites, did I ever say to any of their rulers whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, “Why have you not built me a house of cedar?”’”

# 2 Samuel 7: I am in control

<sup>8</sup> “Now then, tell my servant David, ‘This is what the LORD Almighty says: **I took you** from the pasture, from tending the flock, and appointed you ruler over my people Israel. <sup>9</sup> **I have been with you** wherever you have gone, and I have cut off all your enemies from before you. Now **I will make your name great**, like the names of the greatest men on earth. <sup>10</sup> And **I will provide** a place for my people Israel and will plant them so that they can have a home of their own and no longer be disturbed. Wicked people will not oppress them anymore, as they did at the beginning <sup>11</sup> and have done ever since the time **I appointed leaders** over my people Israel. **I will also give you rest** from all your enemies.

# 2 Samuel 7: I have a plan

“The LORD declares to you that the LORD himself will establish a **house for you**:<sup>12</sup> When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, your own flesh and blood, and **I will establish his kingdom**.<sup>13</sup> He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.<sup>14</sup> I will be his father, and he will be my son. When he does wrong, I will punish him with a rod wielded by men, with floggings inflicted by human hands.<sup>15</sup> But my love will never be taken away from him, as I took it away from Saul, whom I removed from before you.<sup>16</sup> **Your house** and your kingdom will endure forever before me; **your throne will be established forever**.”<sup>17</sup> Nathan reported to David all the words of this entire revelation.

# God is patient

- ▶ **God can wait**

2 Peter 3:8: But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. <sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance

- ▶ **His plans are realized in His time**

- ▶ **Can we wait?**

# God is in control

- ▶ It's all in Gods hands

Isaiah 41:10: So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

- ▶ Even through our mistakes

- ▶ Do we trust Him?

# God has a plan

- ▶ Nothing can stop Him
- ▶ He's actively working on it

Isaiah 9:6–7: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.

And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup> Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end.

He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever.

The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

- ▶ Do we expect Gods kingdom?

# All we can do is worship

- ▶ 2 Samuel 7:18–29
  - David worships God
  - David recognizes who is in control
  - David recognizes the plan of God
  
- ▶ Put our lives in perspective
  - Our plans may not be His plans
  - Our lives are subject to His plan, his Kingdom
  - Our purpose is to worship Him, wait for Him, expect Him

# From Samuel to Chronicles

- ▶ Why David could not build the temple
  - Samuel: because it was not yet time
  - Chronicles: because David had blood on his hands
- ▶ David fought many bloody wars
- ▶ David also murdered Uriah

1 Kings 15:5: For David had done what was right in the eyes of the LORD and had not failed to keep any of the LORD's commands all the days of his life—except in the case of Uriah the Hittite.

# Pass on to our children

- ▶ The ways of God (1 Chronicles 22:11–13)
  - David told Salomon how to be a Godly king
  - How to walk with God (Psalm 32)
  - -> Do we set an example? Like David did?
- ▶ God's plans (1 Chronicles 22:6–10)
  - David told Salomon God planned him to be king
  - David passed on the building of the temple
  - -> do we tell our children about Gods plan?