



BIG IDEA

Jesus is the King promised in the Davidic covenant who stands in the place of his people. Solomon, David's son who will become king like all sinful kings after him, is unable to fulfill the part of the king in God's covenant with David. Thus Jesus came from Heaven to earth to fulfill our part of this covenant. He did this for all of the covenants because God knew we humans are all promise-breakers. So he graciously kept his and our side of these covenant promises. That's the extent of God's love for us. That's the extent of his love for you and his love for me.

THOUGHTS FROM THE SERMON

1. What stood out to you in this week's sermon? What were your biggest takeaways?

Read: 2 Samuel 7:1-16, 2 Samuel 12:1-20

2. King David accepts God's judgment following his sins of adultery and murder. God ended his child's life. How do you typically respond to God's discipline in your life? Can you share an example?
3. Our relationship with God is often guided by what we do for God and not what God has done and what he will do for us. David wanted to build a house for the Lord before seeking God's will. Instead, God promised David to build him a house. How do you see this evident in your own life? What steps can you take to break free from this mindset?
4. Can you think of other times in Scripture where "doing" for God came before seeking his will?
5. God made a covenant-promise with David prior to David's sin and rebellion. What does this say about God's character? How does this theme manifest itself throughout all of Scripture?
6. How do we see the Davidic covenant continue the story of redemption that God has been writing up to this point through his previous covenants? How does each covenant find unity with the others? And why should this give us hope?
7. How does God's covenant with David foreshadow and find its fulfillment in Jesus? How about the other covenants?
8. Share personal insights, commitments, or action items inspired by the sermon and the discussion. In other words, how will you respond to the message this week?

NOTES

PERSONAL REFLECTION AND APPLICATION

1. What has God shown you as you studied his word this week?
2. Why is there such value in reading and understanding the scriptures we looked at this week?
3. What points in the message encouraged you and gave you hope?
4. How will you personally apply what you learned from the sermon to your life?

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Pray: Thank God for always keeping his covenant-promises. Ask God to help you rest in what he has done for you and allow that to guide your relationship with him.

Read: To learn more about covenants and how each fits into the unified narrative of the Bible and God's redemptive plan, consider reading "The Christ of the Covenants" by O. Palmer Robertson. Also, for further study on covenants, you can access Pastor Josh's teaching video, "Understanding the Sacrament of Baptism" on our website. Though the focus is on baptism, Pastor Josh gives us an in-depth look into each covenant and their implications.

Write: Take time to write down your thoughts and insights from the sermon this week. Keeping a journal is just one more tool that you can use to track what God is showing you in your walk with him. Consider writing in questions for the podcast on the Gateway Church app.

Sing: Listen to the worship songs from Sunday throughout the week. Look up the lyrics to each song and spend some time reading them as well.

Memorize: As a Life Group, memorize a verse from the sermon passage that stuck out to you this week.

Love: Share God's rescue story with someone you love.

Sermon Discussion Guide

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