

Sermon Notes

Date: December 1, 2019

Message: Anticipating the Son of David

Text: 2 Samuel 7:1-17 (pp. 231-32 in the pew Bible)

Anticipate – “expect”; “look forward to”

Wait – “remain in readiness for some purpose [or for someone, something]”

Our text this morning, which contains the Lord’s covenant with David, played an important role in the expectations of God’s people in the first century as they waited for their king to come and deliver them from their enemies and ultimately rule the nations.

The Context of 2 Samuel 7:1-17.

We see connections in the promises the Lord makes to David that go all the way back to Genesis.

Genesis 3:15 And I will put enmity
 Between you and the woman,
 And between your seed and her seed;
 He shall bruise you on the head,
 And you shall bruise him on the heel.”

Abraham: The idea of “Seed/Descendant” Genesis 12:1-3; 15:1-6; 17:1-8; 22:15-18 (The Lord’s covenant with Abraham and with his seed/descendants).

Isaac – Genesis 26:1-5

Jacob – Genesis 28:13-15; 35:9-12

Judah – Genesis 49:8-12 (“The scepter will not depart from Judah” v. 10)

Moses: The covenant God made with His people after he brought them out Egypt – Exodus 19-24

1 Samuel

Chapter 8 – The people ask for a king

Chapter 9 – Saul is anointed as king

Chapters 13-15 – Saul is rejected as king because of his disobedience

Chapter 16 – David is anointed as king

Chapters 16-31 – Saul futile attempt to hold on to his position as king

2 Samuel

Chapter 2 – David is made king over Judah at Hebron

Chapter 5 – David is made king over all Israel; David captures the stronghold of Zion, that is the city of David; Jerusalem.

Chapter 6 – David moves the ark of the Lord to Jerusalem

Chapter 7

David desires to build a dwelling for the ark of the Lord (vv. 1-3)

1Now it came about when the king lived in his **house**, and the LORD had given him rest on every side from all his enemies, 2that the king said to Nathan the prophet, “See now, I dwell in **a house** of cedar, but the ark of God dwells within tent curtains.” 3Nathan said to the king, “Go, do all that is in your mind, for the LORD is with you.”

The Lord reveals that David is not the one to build Him a house (vv. 4-7).

4But in the same night the word of the LORD came to Nathan, saying, 5“Go and say to My servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD,

“Are you the one who should build Me **a house** to dwell in? 6“For I have not dwelt in **a house** since the day I brought up the sons of Israel from Egypt, even to this day; but I have been moving about in a tent, even in a tabernacle. 7“Wherever I have gone with all the sons of Israel, did I speak a word with one of the tribes of Israel, which I commanded to shepherd My people Israel, saying, ‘Why have you not built Me **a house** of cedar?’”

David will not build a house for the Lord but the Lord will build a house for David (vv.8-17)

8“Now therefore, thus you shall say to My servant David,

‘Thus says the LORD of hosts,

“I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, to be ruler over My people Israel. (1 Sam. 16)

9“I have been with you wherever you have gone and (Isaiah 46:1-4)

have cut off all your enemies from before you; and

I will make you a great name, like the names of the great men who are on the earth.

10“I will also appoint a place for My people Israel and (Zion/Jerusalem)

will plant them, that they may live in their own place and not be disturbed again, nor will the wicked afflict them any more as formerly, **11**even from the day that I commanded judges to be over My people Israel; and

I will give you rest from all your enemies.

The LORD also declares to you that the LORD will make **a house** for you. (“house” – dynasty/seed; not a physical dwelling)

12“When your days are complete and you lie down with your fathers,

(death cannot thwart God’s plan or keep Him from fulfilling His promises)

I will raise up your descendant/seed after you, who will come forth from you,

and I will establish his kingdom.

(Solomon ?? born after David’s sins in 2 Samuel 11-12)

13“He shall build a house for My name, (1Peter 2:4-5)
and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.”

14“I will be a father to him and he will be a son to Me;

when he commits iniquity,

I will correct him with the rod of men and the strokes of the sons of men,

(The need for a righteous king who obeys God’s Law)

15but **My lovingkindness shall not depart from him**, as I took *it* away from Saul, whom I removed from before you.

Jeremiah 33:14-26

16“Your house and your kingdom shall endure before Me forever; your throne shall be established forever.””

17In accordance with all these words and all this vision, so Nathan spoke to David.

The Succession of kings after David

Solomon, Rehoboam all the way to the Babylonian Exile (586 B.C.) did not fulfill the ideal Son of David.

Solomon – 1Kings 3-11 Disobedience

11:4, 11-13

¹¹So the LORD said to Solomon, “Because you have done this, and you have not kept My covenant and My statutes, which I have commanded you, I will surely tear the kingdom from you, and will give it to your servant. ¹²“Nevertheless I will not do it in your days for the sake of your father David, *but* I will tear it out of the hand of your son. ¹³“However, I will not tear away all the kingdom, *but* I will give one tribe to your son for the sake of My servant David and for the sake of Jerusalem which I have chosen.”

1Kings 15:1-5

¹Now in the eighteenth year of King Jeroboam, the son of Nebat, Abijam became king over Judah. ²He reigned three years in Jerusalem; and his mother’s name was Maacah the daughter of Abishalom.

³He walked in all the sins of his father which he had committed before him; and his heart was not wholly devoted to the LORD his God, like the heart of his father David.

⁴But for David’s sake the LORD his God gave him a lamp in Jerusalem, to raise up his son after him and to establish Jerusalem; ⁵because David did what was right in the sight of the LORD, and had not turned aside from anything that He commanded him all the days of his life, except in the case of Uriah the Hittite.

Jump ahead to the Exile:

Babylonian Captivity

New Testament

There had not been a king on David’s throne for over 500 years, since Nebuchadnezzar destroyed the temple in 586 B.C.

God's people longed for the fulfillment of God's promises to David.

Psalm 89:46-52

Psalm 132:10-12 (A Psalm of Ascents)

The Angels announcement to Mary

Luke 1:32-33

³¹“And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Him Jesus. ³²“He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; ³³and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end.”

Matthews Gospel

Matt. 1:1 ¹The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham:

(¹Paul, a bond-servant of Christ Jesus, called as an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, ²which He promised beforehand through His prophets in the holy Scriptures, ³concerning His Son, who was born of a descendant of David according to the flesh, ⁴who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord, **Romans 1:1-4**)

Matt. 21:4-11

⁴This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

⁵“SAY TO THE DAUGHTER OF ZION,
‘BEHOLD YOUR KING IS COMING TO YOU,
GENTLE, AND MOUNTED ON A DONKEY,
EVEN ON A COLT, THE FOAL OF A BEAST OF BURDEN.’”

⁶The disciples went and did just as Jesus had instructed them, ⁷and brought the donkey and the colt, and laid their coats on them; and He sat on the coats. ⁸Most of the crowd spread their coats in the road, and others were cutting branches from the trees and spreading them in the road.

⁹The crowds going ahead of Him, and those who followed, were shouting,
“Hosanna to the Son of David;

BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD;
Hosanna in the highest!"

10When He had entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?" 11And the crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth in Galilee."

Jesus did not meet the people's expectations for a Warrior King like David who would conquer and rule the nations.

Example: John the Baptist in Matthew 11:1-6)

Acts 2:24-36

New Testament Writers:

Galatians 4:4-5

4But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, **5**so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

Hebrews 2:8

8YOU HAVE PUT ALL THINGS IN SUBJECTION UNDER HIS FEET."

For in subjecting all things to him, He left nothing that is not subject to him. But now we do not yet see all things subjected to him.

1Corinthians 15:24-28

24then *comes* the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power. **25**For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. **26**The last enemy that will be abolished is death. **27**For HE HAS PUT ALL THINGS IN SUBJECTION UNDER HIS FEET. But when He says, "All things are put in subjection," it is evident that He is excepted who put all things in subjection to Him. **28**When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself also will be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, so that God may be all in all.

Expectations: “Already, not Yet”

We are still waiting for our Savior and long for His return.

Matthew 6:9-11 Your kingdom come; Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Titus 2:11-14 (looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus)

11For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, **12**instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, **13**looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, **14**who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.

2 Timothy 4:8 (love [long for] His appearing)

7I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; **8**in the future there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, **but also to all who have loved His appearing.**

Hebrews 9:27-28 (eagerly wait for Him)

27And inasmuch as it is appointed for men to die once and after this *comes* judgment, **28**so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without *reference to* sin, **to those who eagerly await Him.**

Revelation 5:5

1I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a book written inside and on the back, sealed up with seven seals. **2**And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, “Who is worthy to open the book and to break its seals?” **3**And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the book or to look into it. **4**Then I *began* to weep greatly because no one was found worthy to open the book or to look

into it; **5**and one of the elders said to me, **“Stop weeping; behold, the Lion that is from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has overcome so as to open the book and its seven seals.”**

While we wait we live for the Lord and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ to the Nations.