June 24 – 2 Samuel 7

Established

To Build or Not to Build

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2 Samuel

1.	June 3	Respected	1-2	David Mourns Saul, then Made King
2.	June 10	Crowned	3-4	Civil War – Abner Killed by Joab
3.	June 17	Celebrated	5-6	King David Moves Ark to Jerusalem
✡4.	June 24	Established	7	God's Covenant to Build House of David
5.	July 1	Valued	9	David Befriends Mephibosheth
6.	July 8	Accountable	12	David & Bathsheba, Repents to Nathan
7.	July 15	Grieved	13	Tamar Raped … Absalom Kills Amnon
8.	July 22	Deposed	15	Absalom Rebels against David
9.	July 29	Restored	19	David Restored to Throne
10.	Aug. 5	Averted	20	Sheba Revolts against David
11.	Aug. 12	Resolved	21	Gibeonite Revenge on House of Saul
12.	Aug. 19	Thankful	22	David's Song of Deliverance (Psalm 18)
13.	Aug. 26	Disciplined	24	David's Census Sin

2 Samuel Outline

1-7	David Secures the Kingdom over Southern and Northern Tribes	1-7
1	David Mourns Death of Saul & Jonathan	
2-4	David Made King over Judah in Hebron	
5	David Made King over All of Israel … Conquers Jerusalem	
6	Ark brought to Jerusalem	
7	Davidic Covenant … David wants to Build Temple	
8-10	David Extends the Kingdom	8-10
8	War against Philistia, Moab, Syria, Ammon, Amalek	
9	David's Kindness to Saul's son Mephibosheth	
10	War against Ammon in Syria	
11-12	David with Bathsheba, Adultery, Murder, Repents, Solomon's Birth	11-12
13-19	Absalom's Revolt against David	13-19
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18-19	David Defeats Absalom … Joab Kills Absalom	
19-24	David Re-secures the Kingdom	19-24
20	Sheba's Revolt & Death	
21	Saul's Sons Killed … David Defeats Philistines	
22	David's Psalm of Victory	
23	David's Last Song … David's Mighty Men	
24	David Takes Census of Israel	

1 Kings 1-2 … David Bedridden … Appoints Solomon King … David Dies

You're HERE

2 Samuel 5-20
more exploits in
1 Chronicles 11-28

Theme

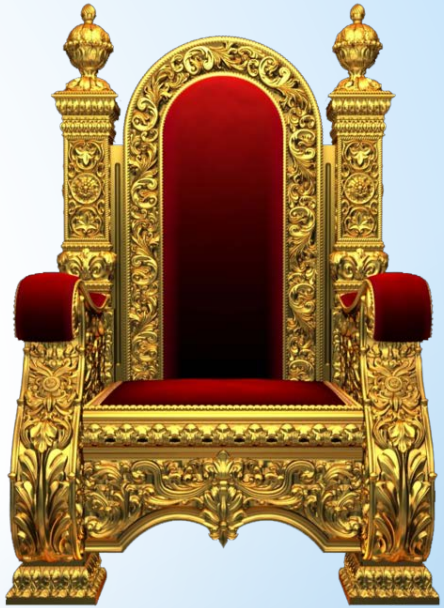
God promised to establish a descendant of David as leader of His people

2 Samuel

7:8-11	Rest – A Great Name for You
7:11-17	Rule – "I will be his Father and he will be my son"
7:18-21	Rejoice Over – Revelation for Mankind

Key Verse – 2 Samuel 7:16

Your house and your kingdom will endure forever before me; your throne will be established forever



Alternative Title

To Build or NOT to Build

Alternative Title #2

When Our Dreams *Are Surpassed* by God's Gift

David tells Prophet Nathan a **PLAN**

What do you **DREAM** about? … **Hope for?**

David ***WANTS*** to build the Temple … ***but will not***

What David gets from God … actually surprises David

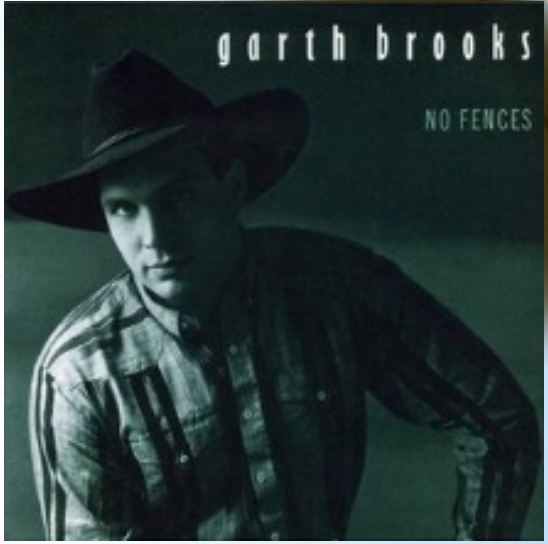
I imagine, BEFORE the

Greatest Celebration Since Departing Egypt

Before bringing the **Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem**

David could … may … might … … … likely NOT had

much thought about a permanent place



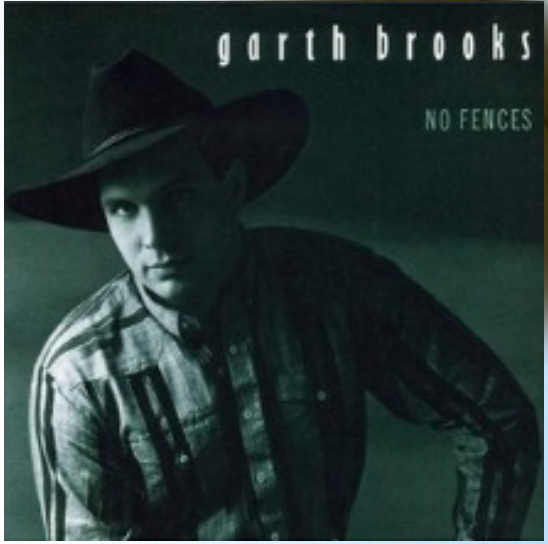
Troyal Garth Brooks … was born on Feb. 7, 1962 in Tulsa, Oklahoma

Oct. 1990 … released "Unanswered Prayers" by 1991, hit #1 on Hot Country Songs Chart

album, *No Fences*, went 30 weeks as #1 on Billboards Country Charts

In Oct. 1990 when "Unanswered Prayers" released Garth Brooks was 28 years old …

Just the other night
at a hometown football game
My wife and I ran into
my old high school flame



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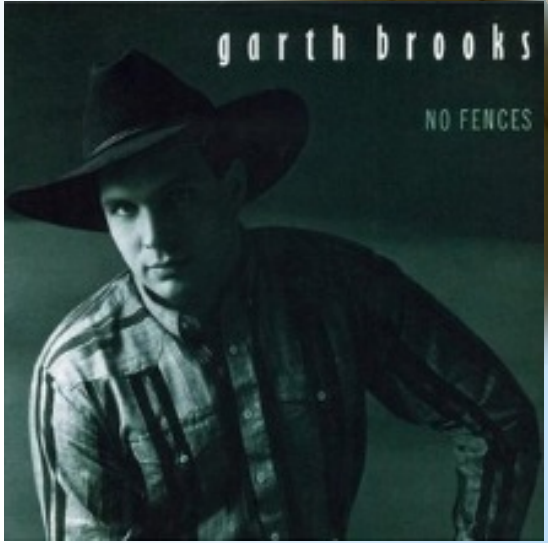

And as I introduced them
the past came back to me

And I couldn't help but think
of the way things used to be

She was the one that I'd wanted for all time …
And each night I'd spend prayin' that
God would make her mine

And if he'd only grant me this wish
I wished back then
I'd never ask for anything again

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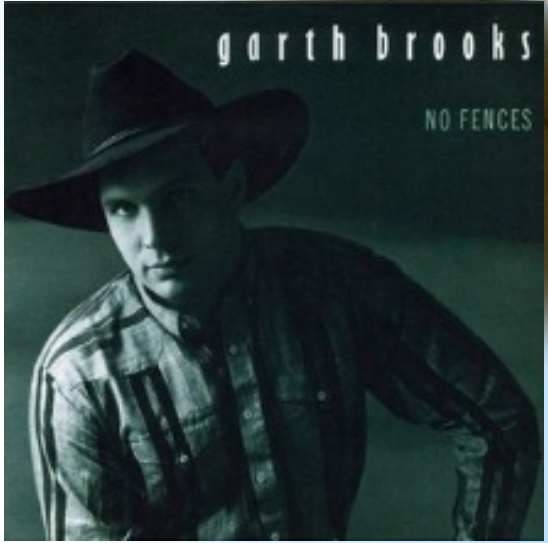

Remember when
you're talkin' to the man upstairs

That just because he doesn't answer
doesn't mean he don't care

Some of God's greatest gifts are

Unanswered Prayers

She wasn't quite the angel
that I remembered in my dreams

And I could tell that time had changed me
In her eyes too it seemed

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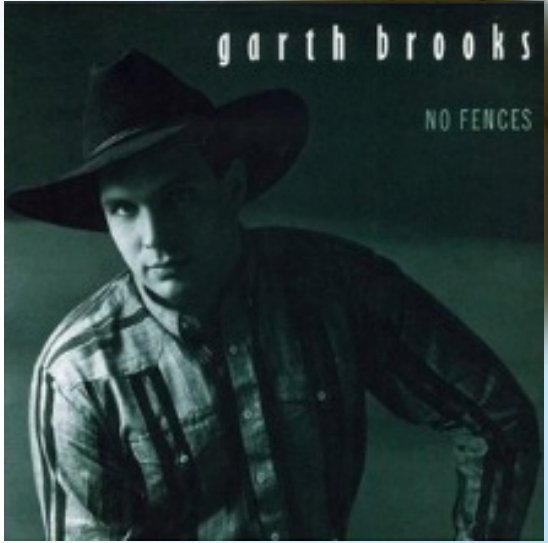

We tried to talk about the old days
There wasn't much we could recall

I guess the Lord knows what

he's doin' after all

And as she walked away and I looked at my wife
And then and there I thanked the good Lord

For the gifts in my life

Sometimes I thank God for Unanswered Prayers

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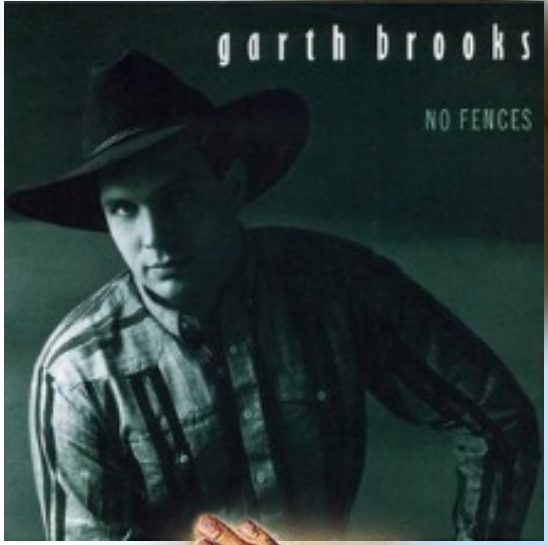

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King David … looks to God to build a Temple

but God has something very *SPECIAL* for DAVID

7:1-7 Nathan to David …
God to Nathan to David

Chapter 5 … David is KING over Israel & Judah

David is 30 years old …

5:5 In Hebron he reigned over Judah 7.5 years,
and in Jerusalem he reigned over
ALL Israel & Judah 33 years.

He routes Philistines *twice* in the Valley of Rephaim …

Chapter 6 … Ark of the Covenant moved to Jerusalem with

Great Celebration

Greatest Celebration Since Departing Egypt

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Chapter 7, David is now about 38-40 years old

7:1 After the king was settled in his palace & the LORD had given him rest from all his enemies …

Where is David NOW?

Jerusalem

David's Jerusalem

Baker Book of Maps, Charts

- Tyropoeon Valley to west
  - Valley of Cheesemongers
- Kidron Valley to east
  - Kidron = turpid brook
- Hinnom Valley south
  - Gehenna = Son of Hinnom
  - Were some kings burned their sons & daughters, Jer. 7:31
- Valleys Naturally Fortify … David likely build Palace here
- Known as "City of David" for quite some time

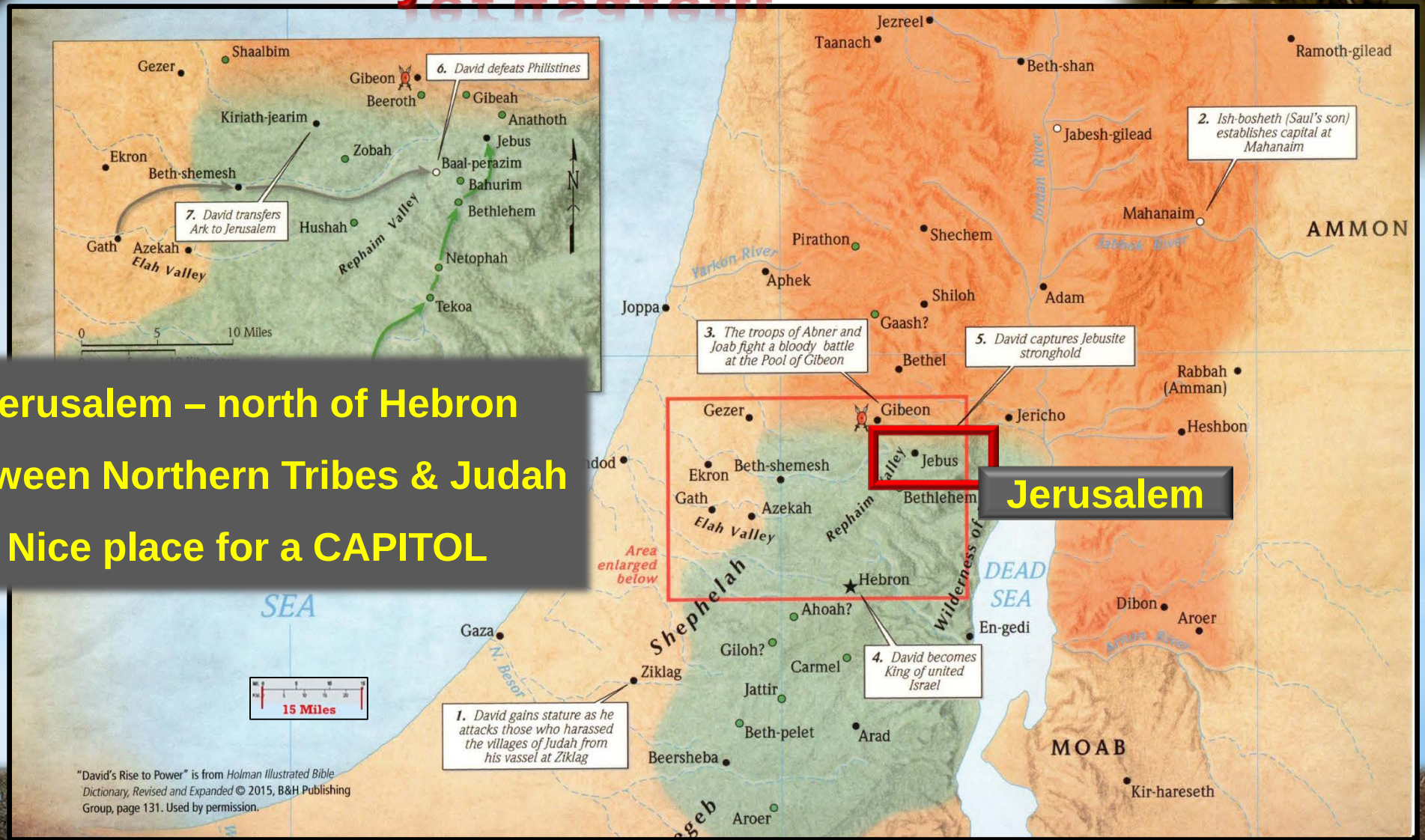
David's Jerusalem

- 2 Samuel 24, David **BUYS** Threshing Floor of Araunah
- i.e., Araunah, the Jebusite

just beyond the north wall

where the Temple will be built

Jerusalem



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Jerusalem – north of Hebron

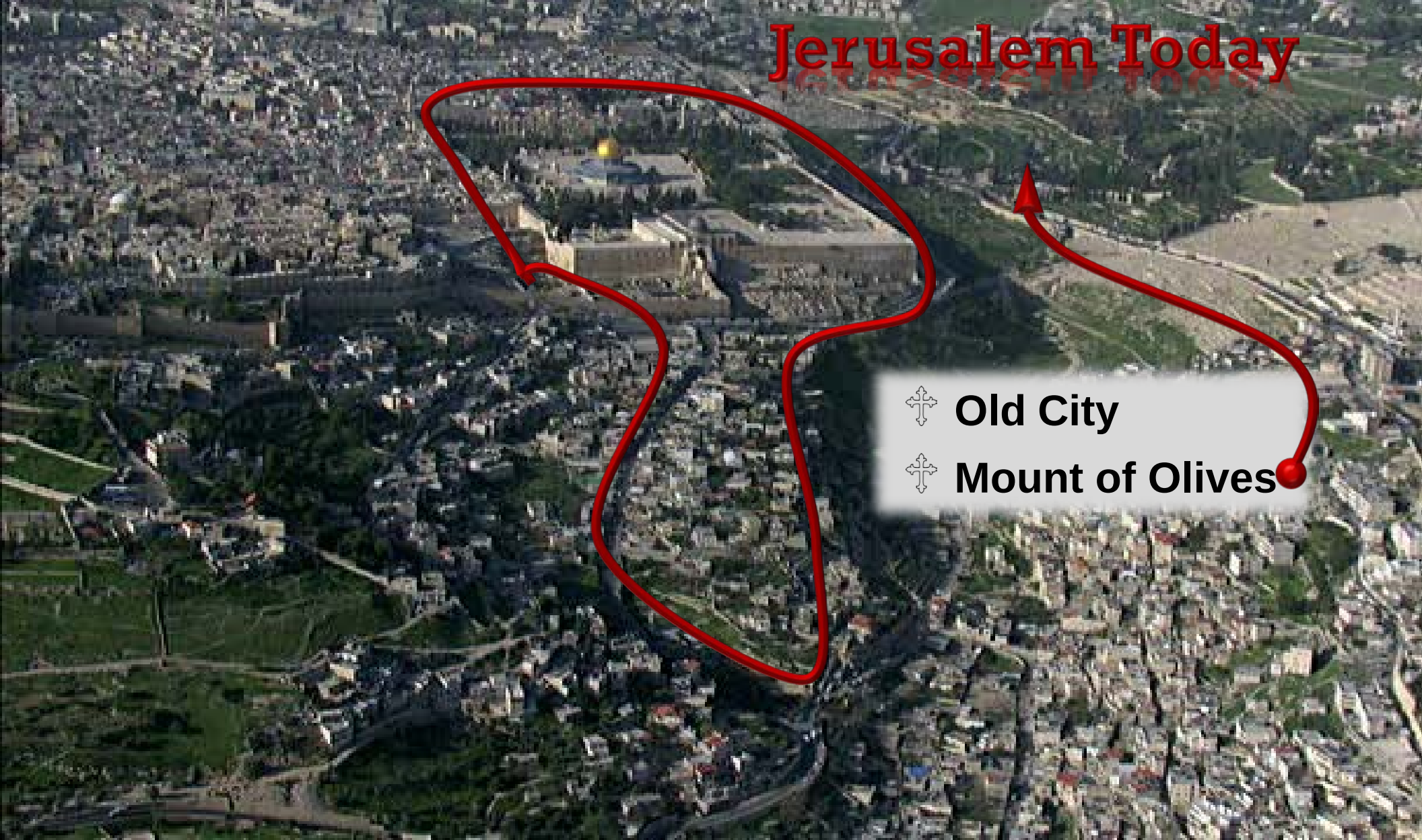
Between Northern Tribes & Judah

Nice place for a CAPITOL

Jerusalem Today
Mt. of Olives
Walling Wall …
Foundation of Herod's Temple

Jerusalem Today

- Dome of the Rock
- Modern Jerusalem in background


Jerusalem Today
Old City
Mount of Olives

Jerusalem

Jewish Encyclopedia

Mt. Zion

Mt. Moriah

- Old Testament
- City of David – *Formerly Jebus*
- See Left

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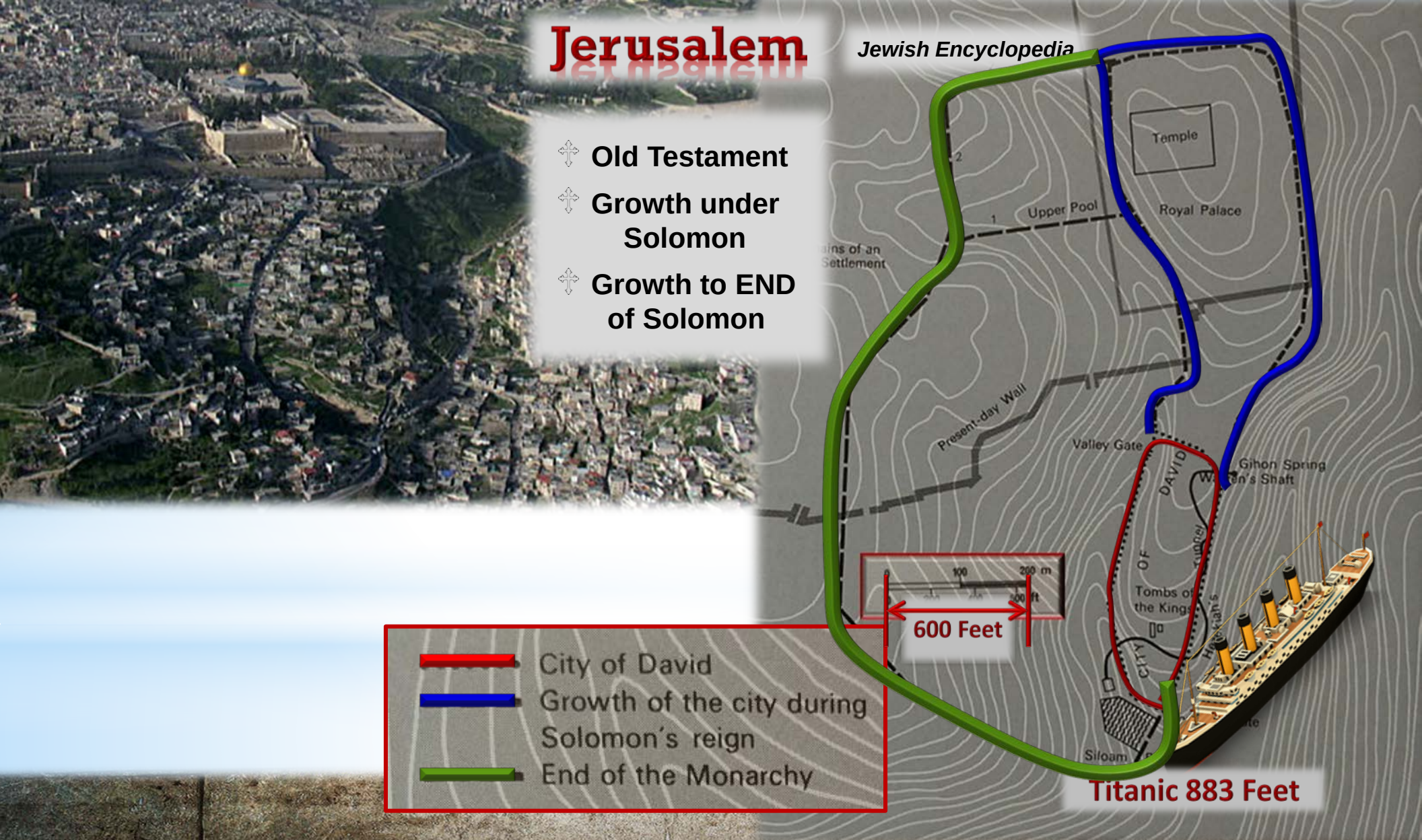
- Growth under Solomon
- Growth to END of Solomon



Jerusalem

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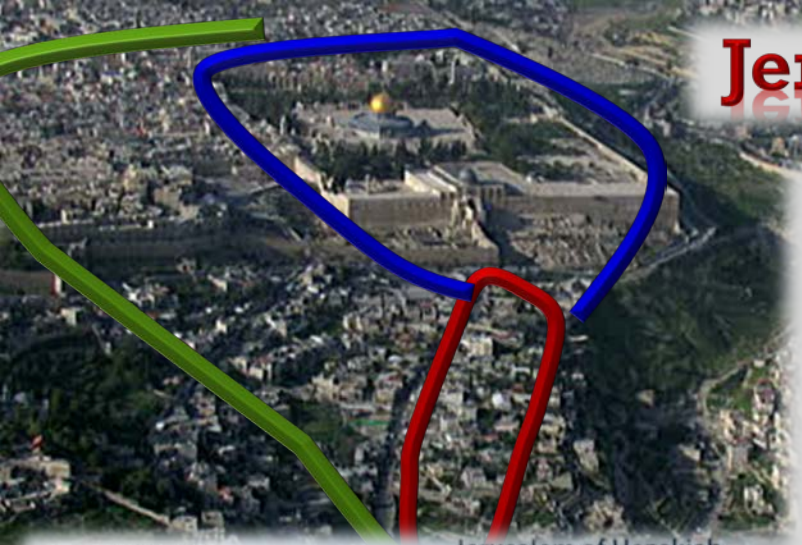
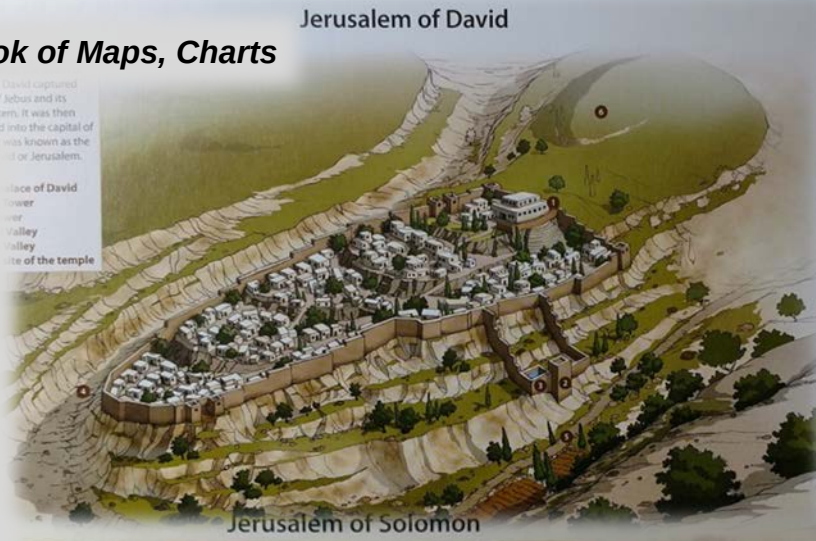
- City of David
- Jerusalem under Solomon
- Jerusalem under King Hezekiah
  reigned 716–697 BC,





David's Jerusalem

- Mt. Zion & Mt. Moriah
- Foundation/Possession of Peace
- Salem, Ariel, Jebus – City of God
- 1st Salem – Gen. 14:18, Salem
- King Melchizedek of Salem and priest of El Elyon = "God most high"
- 1st Jerusalem – Joshua 10:1, King Adoni-Zedek of Jerusalem "hears" about Joshua & secures allies
- "Stronghold of Zion" 2 Sam. 5:7 & 1 Chon. 11:5

7:1-7 Nathan to David …
God to Nathan to David

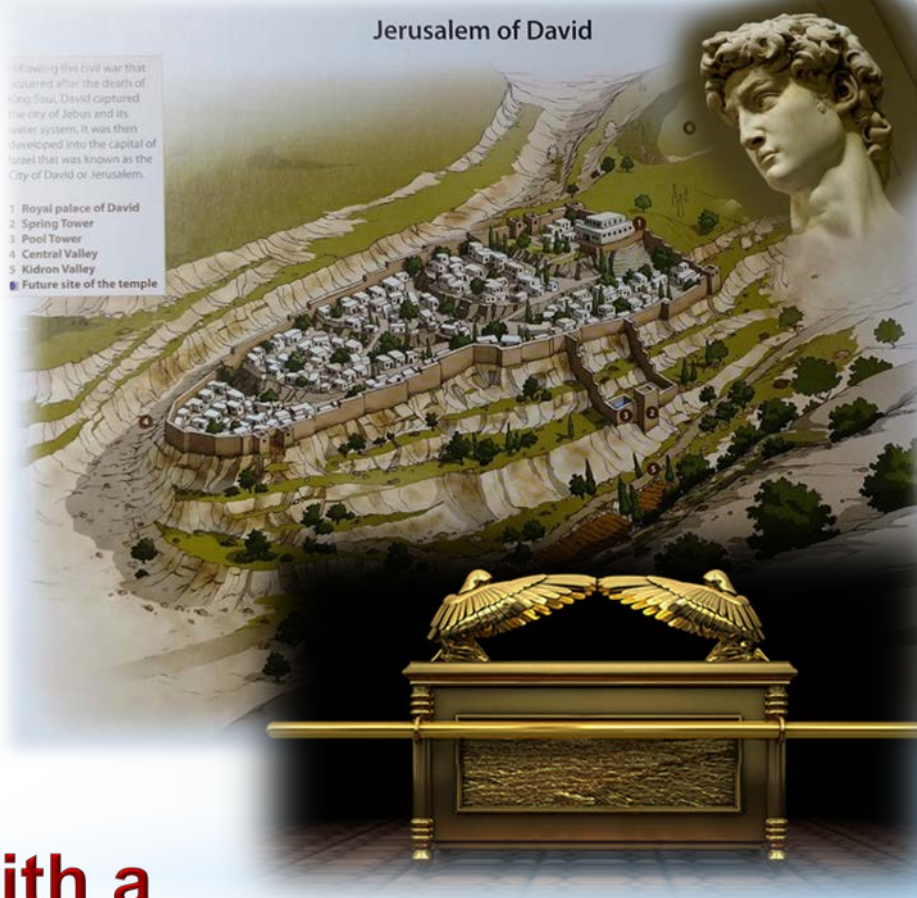
2 Sam. 5:9, David took residence …
built up the area around it,
from the terraces inward.

He routes Philistines twice
in the Valley of Rephaim …

Chapter 6, Ark of the Covenant to

Jerusalem with a

Grand Celebration



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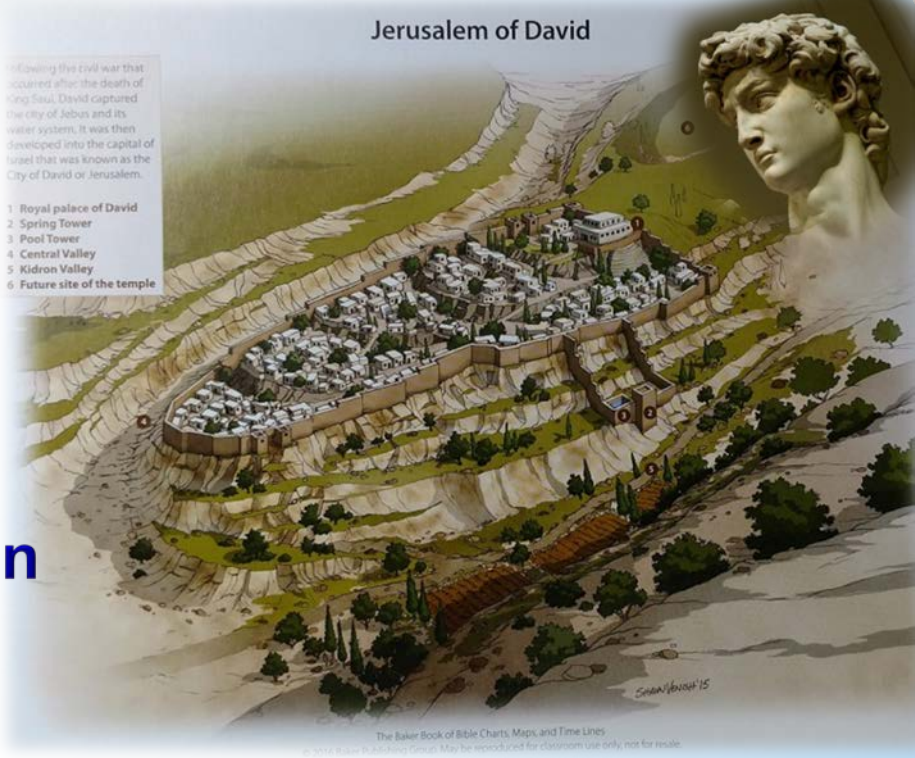


Jerusalem

7:1-7 Nathan to David … God to Nathan to David

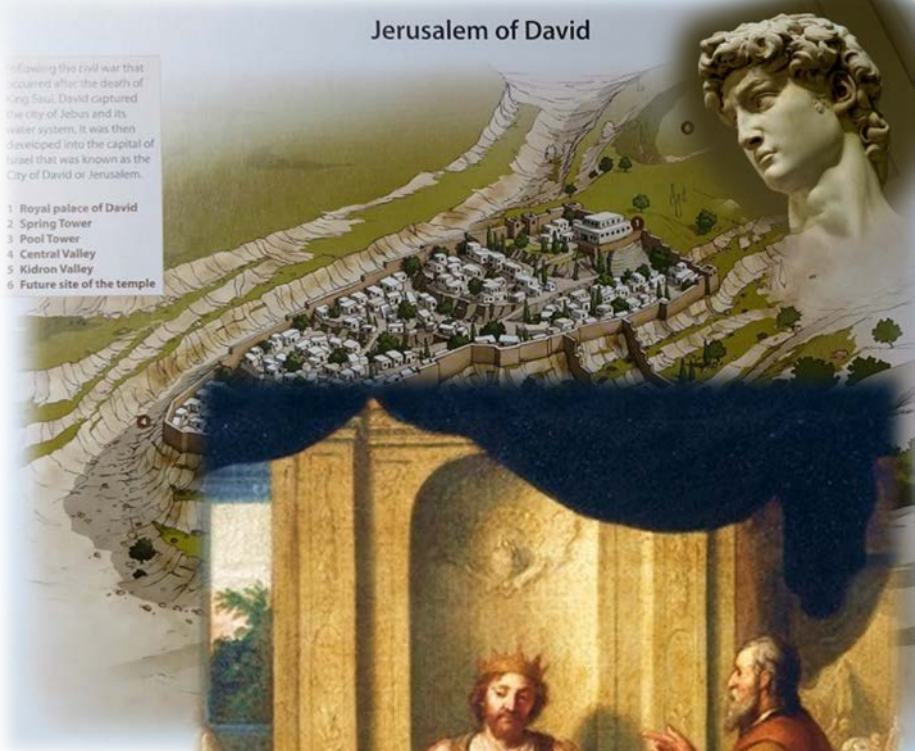
David laments to Prophet Nathan

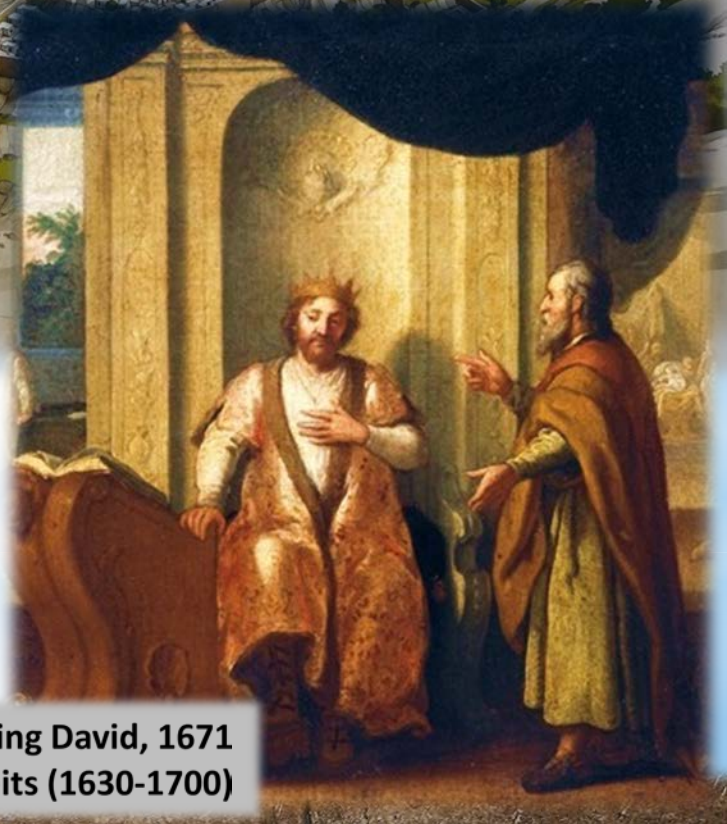
7:1 "Here I am, living in a house of cedar, while the ark of God remains in a tent."

Nathan responds …

Get-R-Done!

3 "Whatever you have in mind, go ahead and do it, for the LORD is with you."





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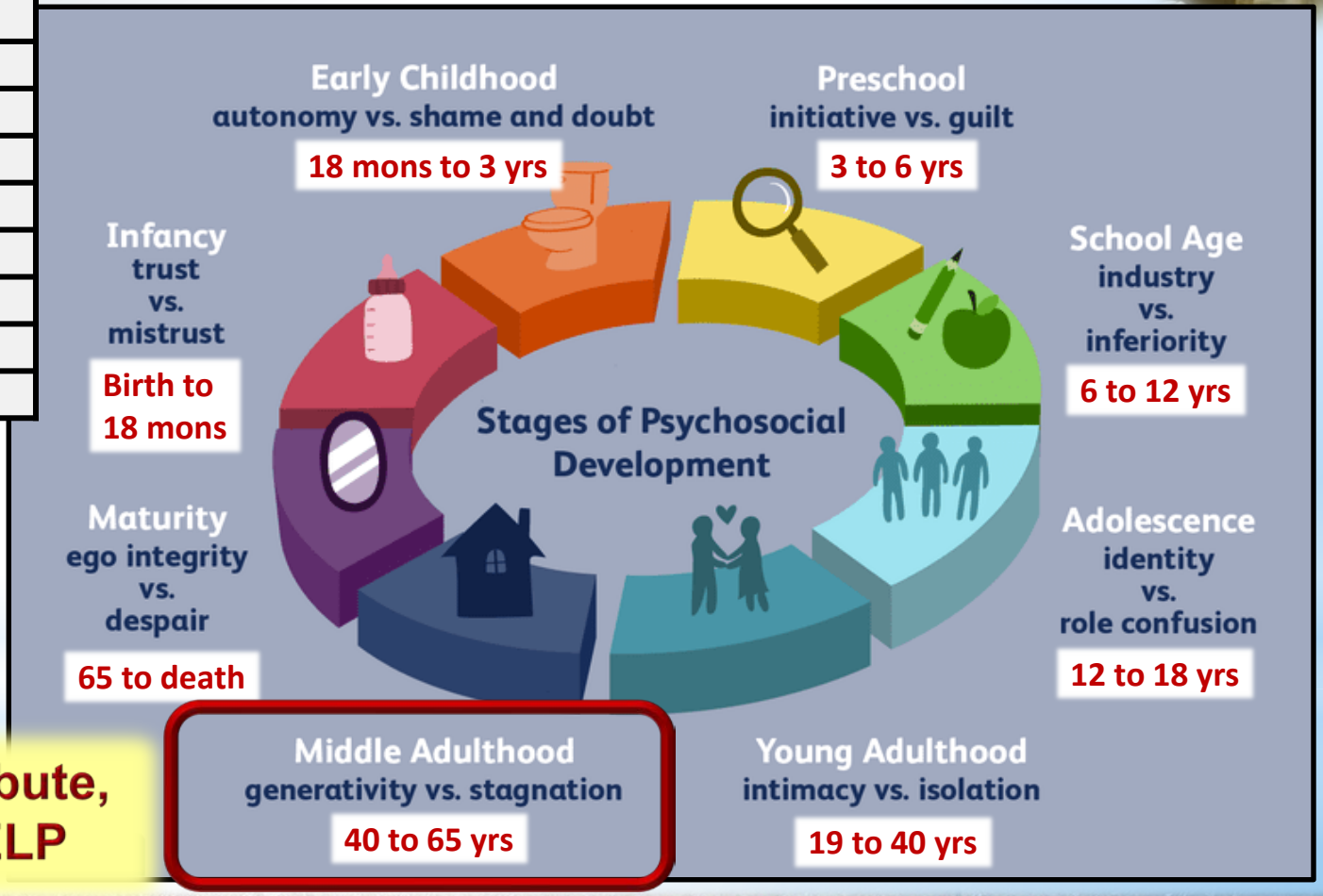
Erik Erickson's 8 Stages of Life & Conflicts

Ages	Basic Conflict
Birth to 18 mns	Trust vs. Mistrust
18 mon to 3 yrs	Autonomy vs. Shame
3 to 6 years	Initiative vs. Guilt
6 to 12 years	Industry vs. Inferiority
12 to 18 years	Identity vs. Role Confusion
19 to 40 years	Intimacy vs. Isolation
40 to 65 years	Generativity vs. Stagnation
65 to death	EgoIntegrity vs. Despair



You don't have to buy all of this

But these insights explain a LOT

David wants to contribute, make a difference, HELP

yah ever have a DREAM?

Something to HAVE … ?

Something to DO … ?

You DREAMED of ___?___

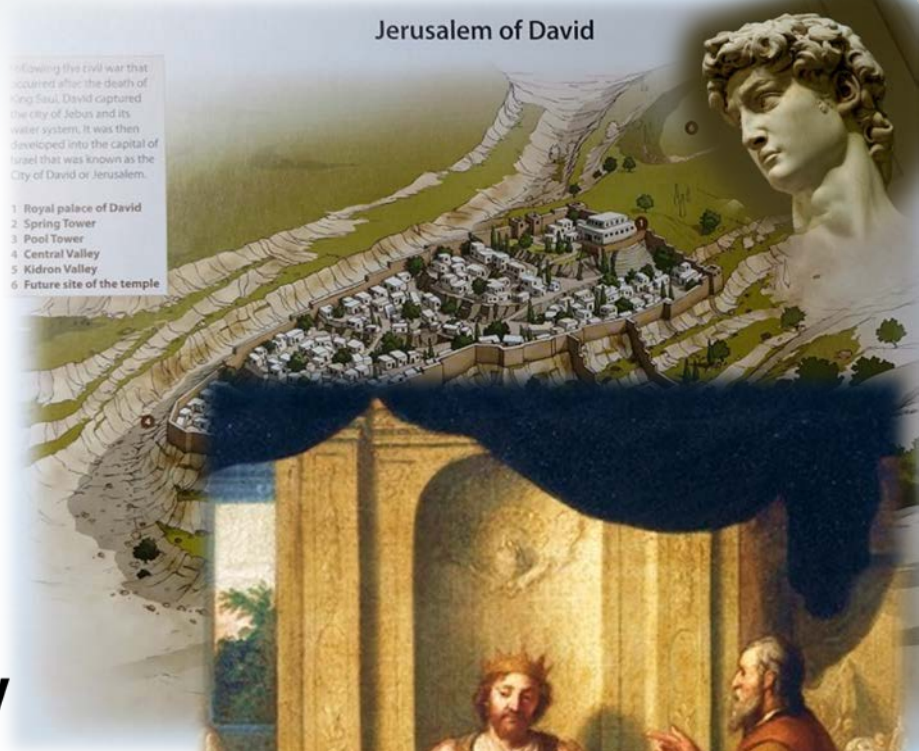
We all have … DREAMS

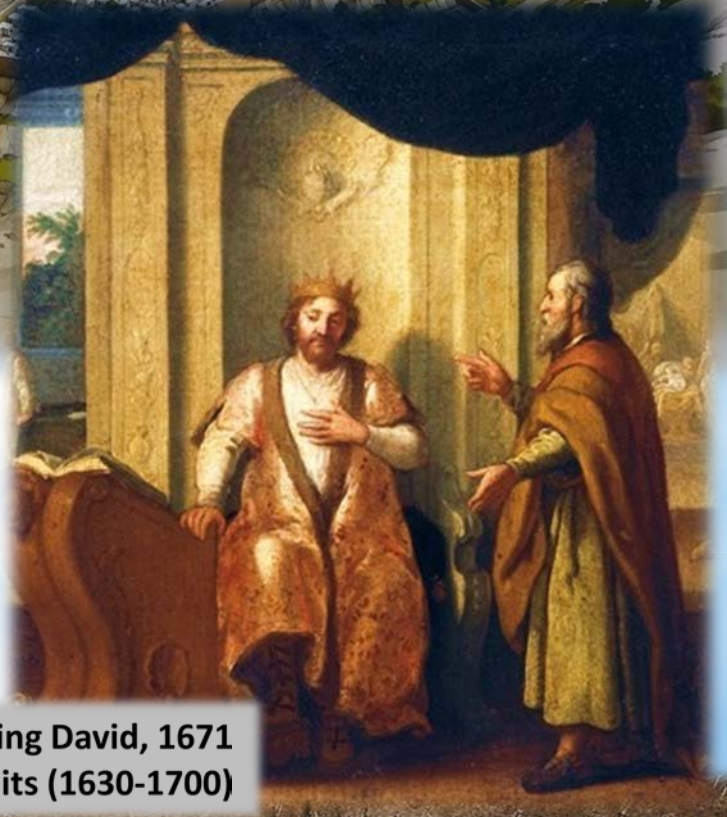
Some of you have REACHED a few

Some still hope …

Others … have had to retire that DREAM

We look for God's work & blessing





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7:1-7 Nathan to David …
God to Nathan to David

But that night God visits Nathan

Nope … God says "No"

"I've been in a tent," says God

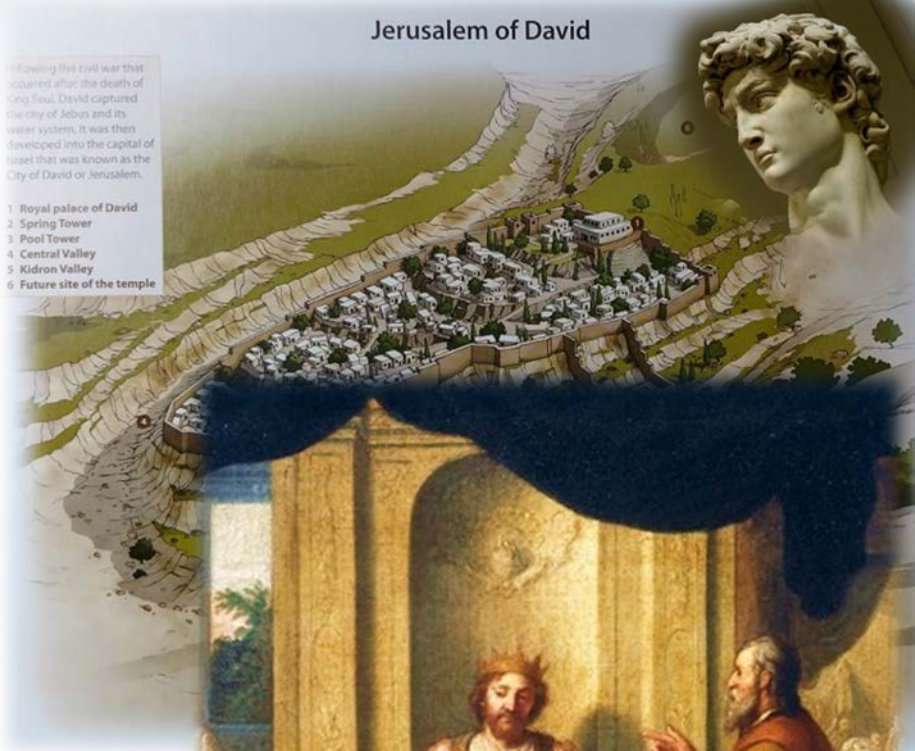
"For a while now," says God

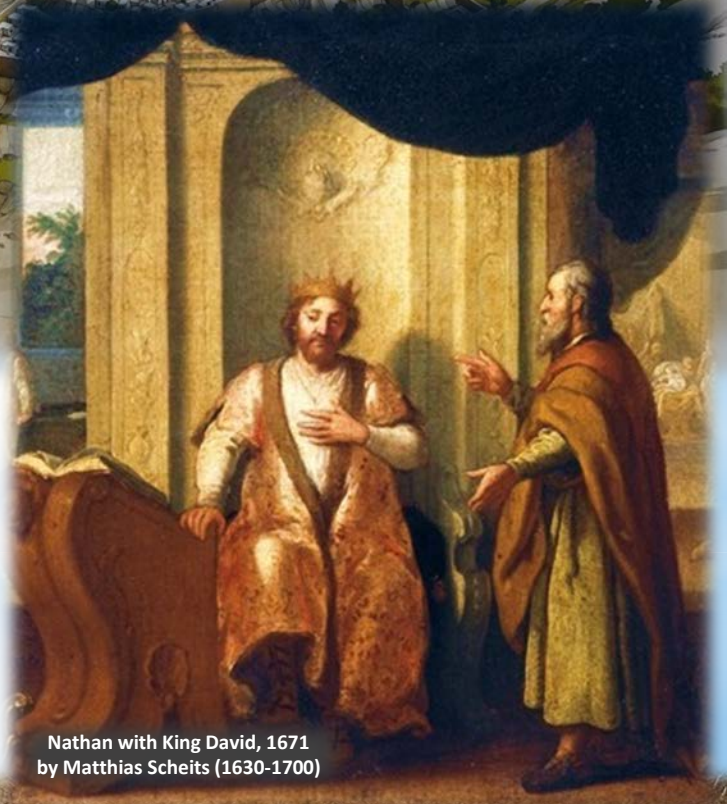
And I've never asked for a

House of Cedar

NATHAN … finds out he MISSPOKE

Nathan was MISTAKEN … oooops





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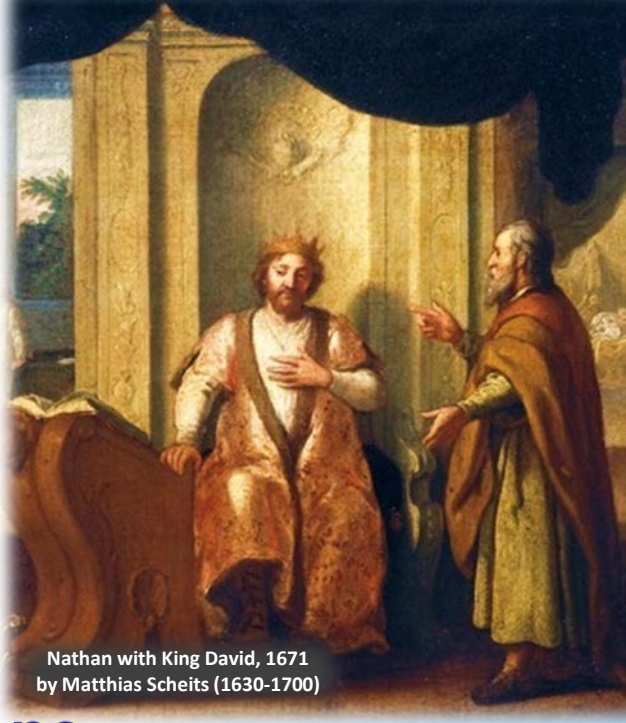
7:8-11 Rest – David to be Great, and Place for People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8 "Now then, tell my servant David,

'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.

9 I have been with you wherever you have gone,

and I have cut off all your enemies from before you.

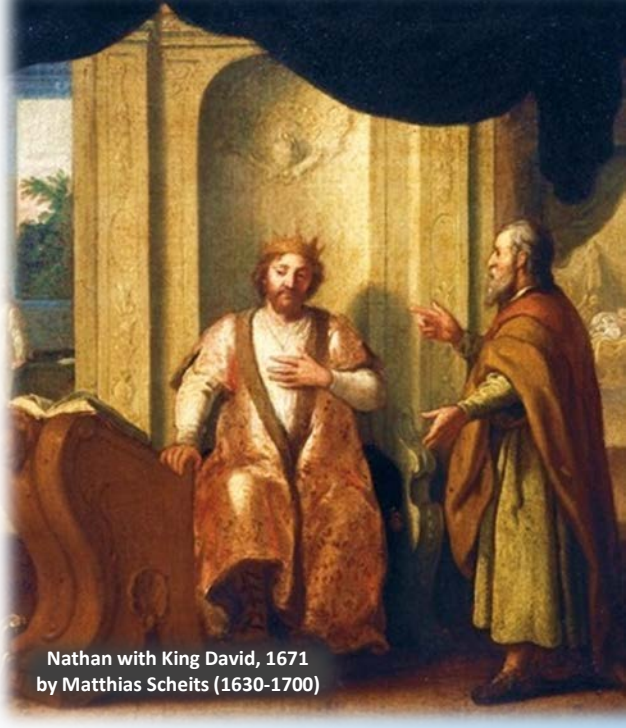
Now I will make your name great, like the

names of the greatest men on earth.

7:8-11 Rest – David to be Great, and Place for People

10 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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King David … must have been wondering at these words

FIRST … Prophet Nathan says, "Get-R-Done!" … *now this*

7:11-17 Rule – "House" for David, Faithful Love Never Leave

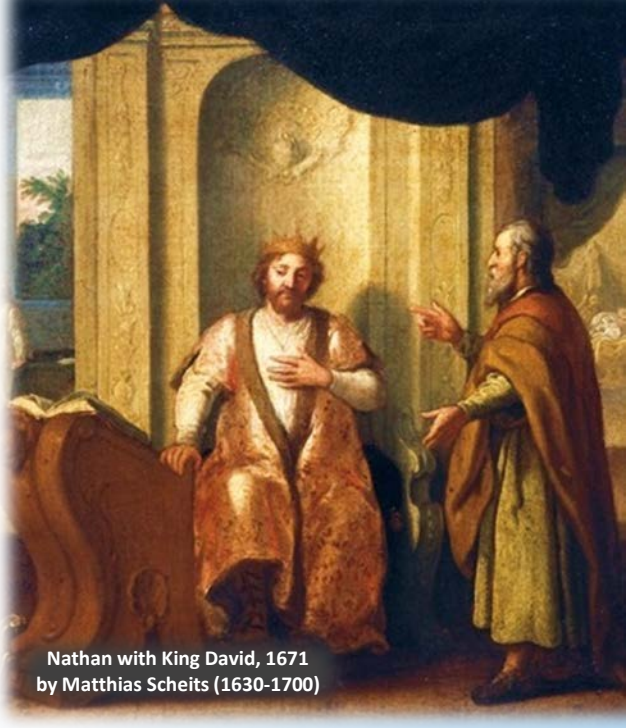
"'The LORD declares to you that the

LORD himself will

establish a house for you:

12 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.



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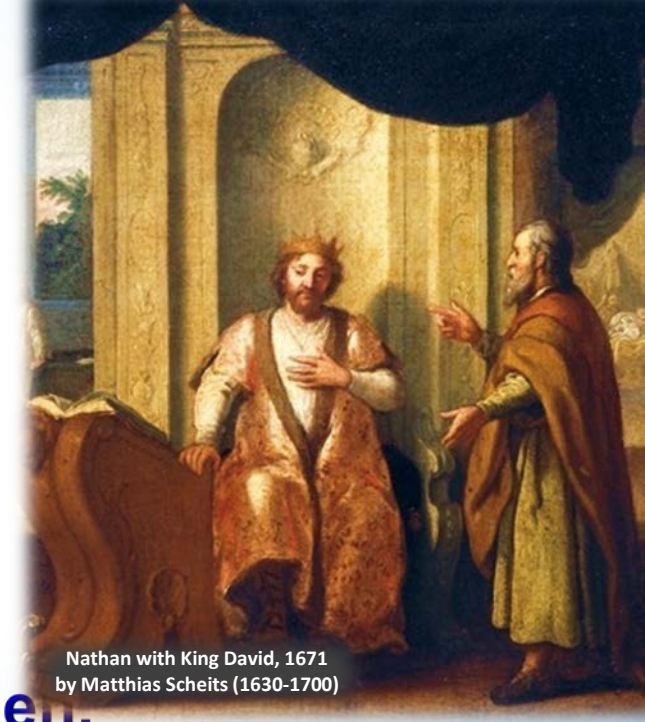
13 He is the one who will build a house
for my Name, and I will establish the
throne of his kingdom forever.

14 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.



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God now defers to David's son … but WHICH ONE

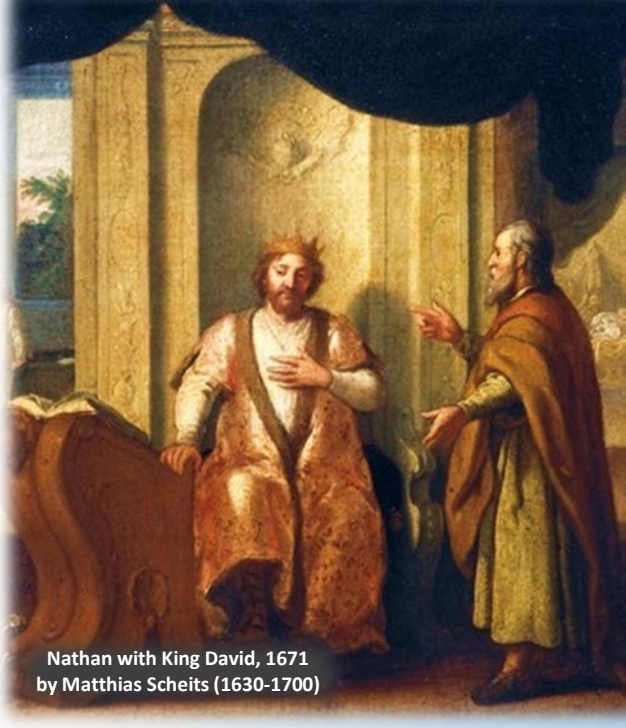
He has so many sons already … but never mind

7:11-17 Rule – "House" for David, Faithful Love Never Leave

15 But my love will never be
taken away from him,
as I took it away from Saul,
whom I removed from before you.

16 Your house and your kingdom
will endure forever before me;
your throne will be established forever.' "

17 Nathan reported to David all the words
of this entire revelation.



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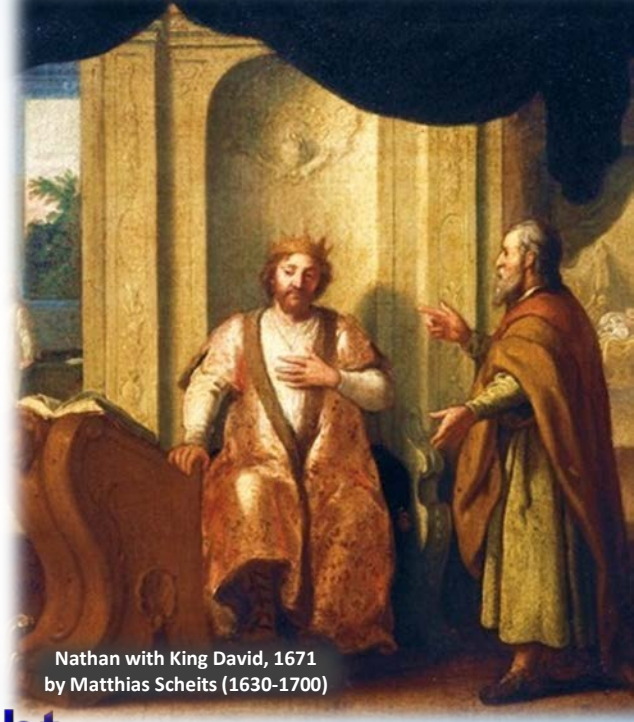
7:18-21 Rejoice Over –
Lord on Distant Future, "A Revelation"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18 Then King David went in and
sat before the LORD, and he said:

"Who am I, Sovereign LORD, and
what is my family, that you have
brought me this far?

19 And as if this were not enough in your sight,
Sovereign LORD, you have also spoken about
the future of the house of your servant—

and this decree, Sovereign LORD, is for a mere human!

7:18-21 Rejoice Over –
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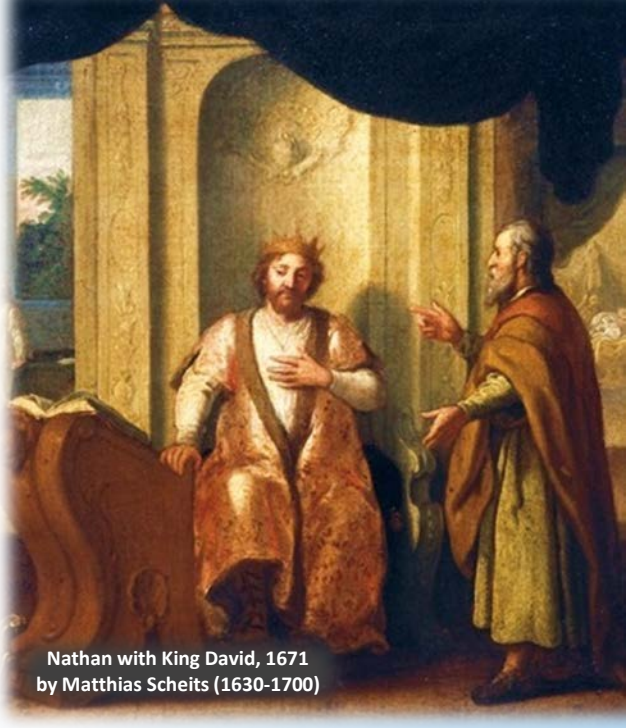
20 "What more can David say to you?
For you know your servant,
Sovereign LORD.

21 For the sake of your word and
according to your will,
you have done this great thing and
made it known to your servant.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David began as a shepherd … now secure as a King

Thought about God … the Ark of the Covenant

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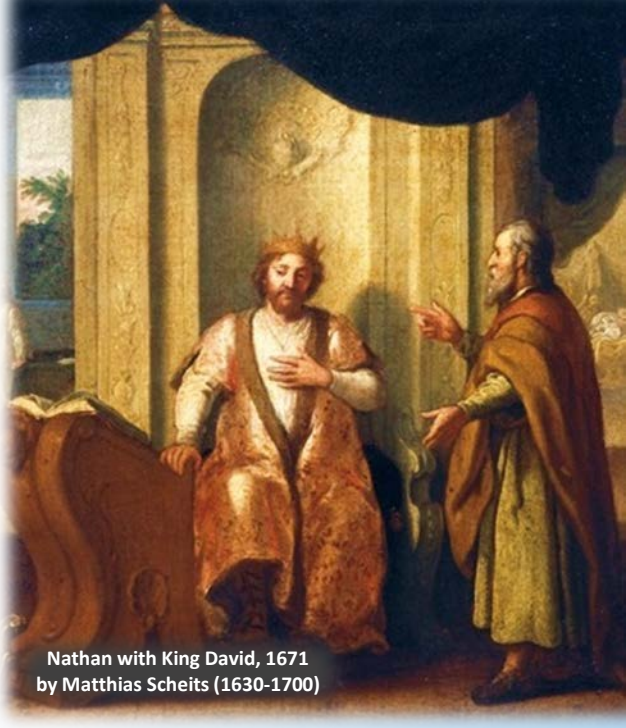
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Wanting to build the Temple … GOOD

But then David receives BETTER news

News David had not even *DREAMED . . .*

That his house and name would be

Established Forever

began as a shepherd … now secure as a King

Thought about God … the Ark of the Covenant

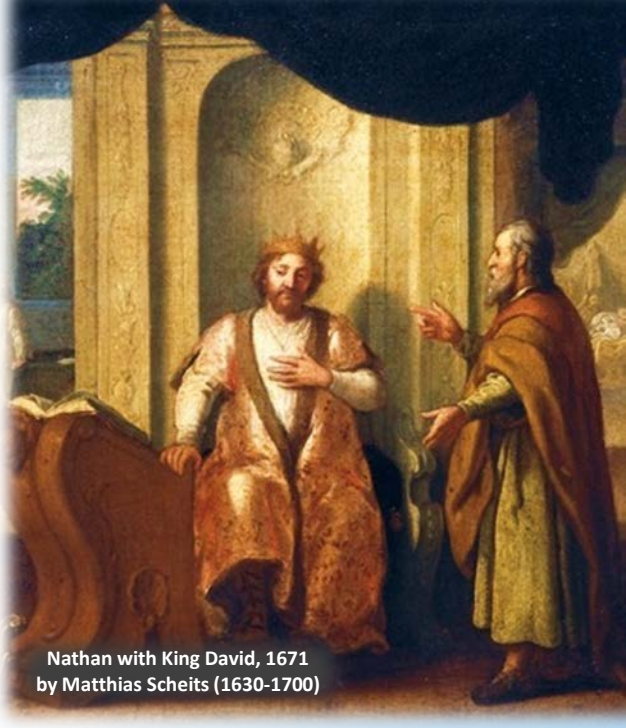
Then God comes with promise beyond his *DREAMS*

7:22-29 With God, House Blessed Forever

David breaks out in a Psalm of Praise

22 "How great you are, Sovereign LORD!
There is no one like you, and
there is no God but you,
as we have heard with our own ears.

23 And who is like your people Israel—
the one nation on earth that God
went out to redeem as a people for himself,
and to make a name for himself, and to perform
great and awesome wonders ….



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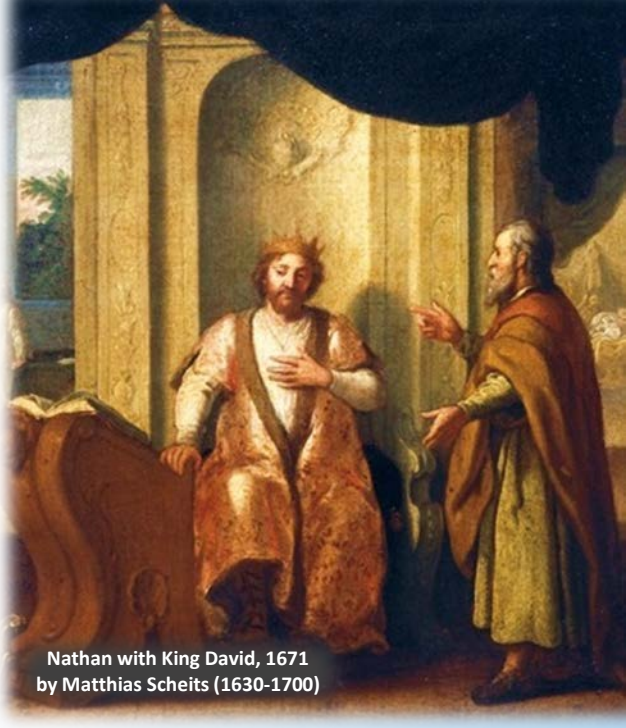
24 You have established your people Israel
as your very own FOREVER, and
you, LORD, have become their God.

25 "And now, LORD God, keep forever
the promise you have made concerning
your servant and his house.

Do as you promised,

26 so that your name will be great forever.
Then people will say,

'The LORD Almighty is God over Israel!'



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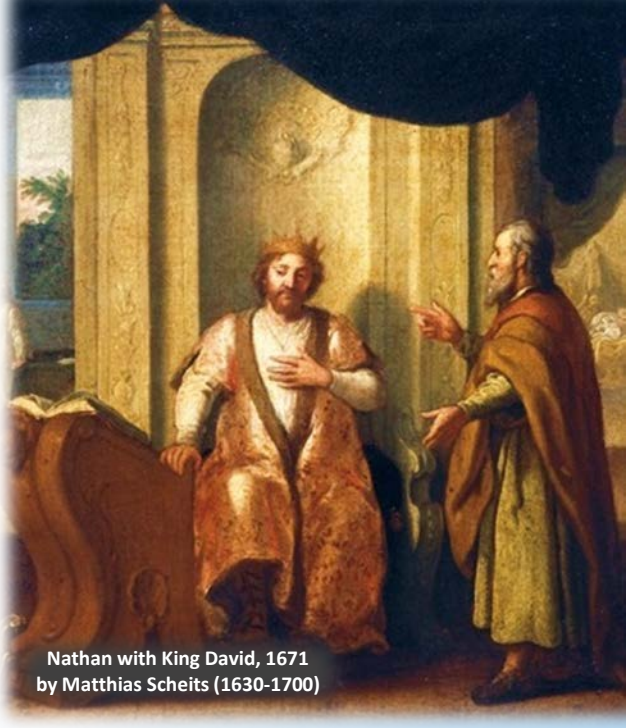
David nearly repeats himself in vv. 27-28

Then almost ecstatic, nearly overwhelmed

29 Now be pleased to bless the house
of your servant, that it may continue

forever in your sight;

for you, Sovereign LORD, have spoken,
and with your blessing the house
of your servant will be blessed forever."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Read chapter 7 a dozen times … feel David's HEART

7:22-29 With God, House Blessed Forever

Chapter 7 closes like a poem … a song

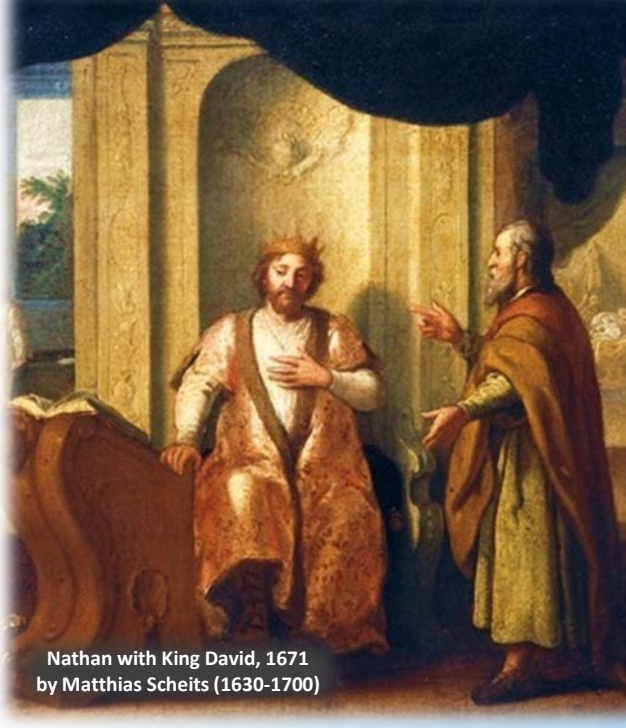
David … David … David …

1 Samuel 13:14 … Samuel to King Saul

14 But now your kingdom will not endure;
the LORD has sought out a man

after his own heart

and appointed him ruler of his people,
because you have not kept the LORD's command.



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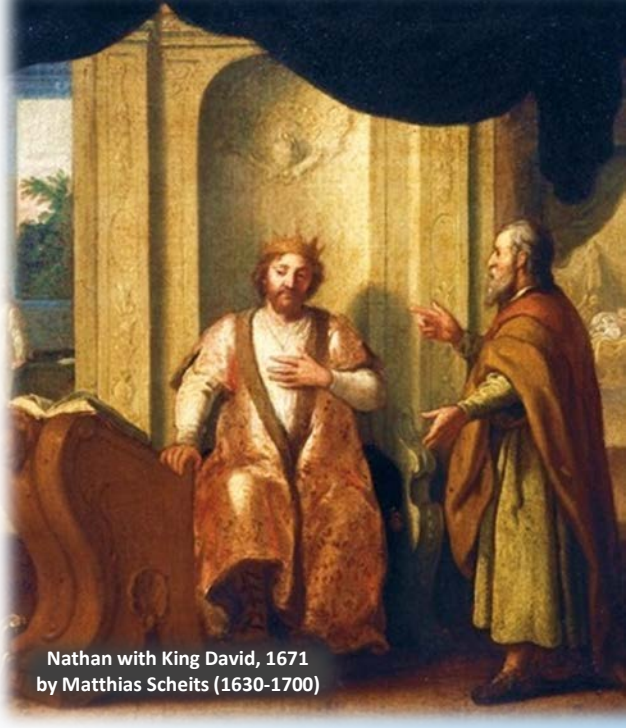
Unless there be any confusion …

Acts 13:22 settles WHO is in 1 Samuel 13:14

22 After removing Saul…. God testified …

"I have found David son of Jesse,
a man after my own heart;
he will do everything I want him to do."



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How true that DAY in the newly secured Jerusalem

David's HEART DANCED as Ark of the Covenant entered

David's HEART HURT when his 1st wife rejected GOD

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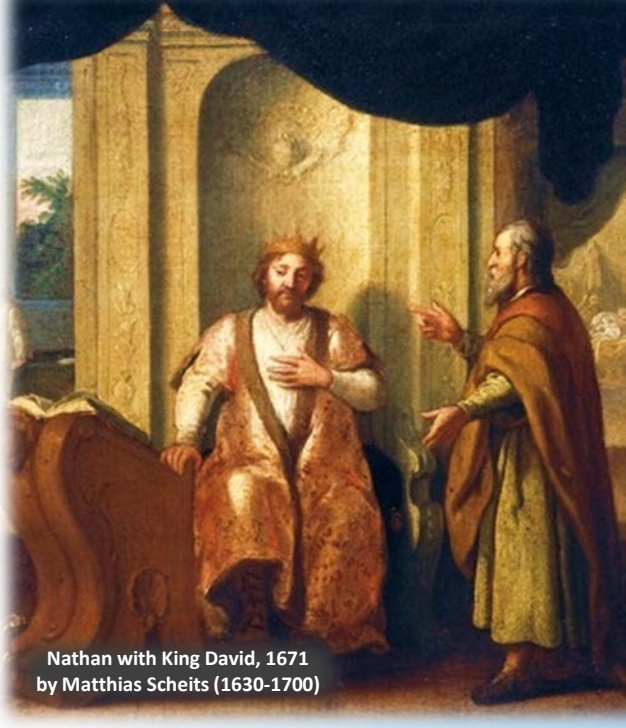
David's **HEART LEAPT** contemplating
How MIGHTY an edifice … how GRAND a

TEMPLE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He might ***NOW build for God***

Left to himself, David would **LOVE** God

Left to himself, David would **BUILD** for God

But defer to GOD … David always did … always would

The latter half of 2 Samuel 7 … shows so clearly …

7:22-29 With God, House Blessed Forever

David could HARDLY believe

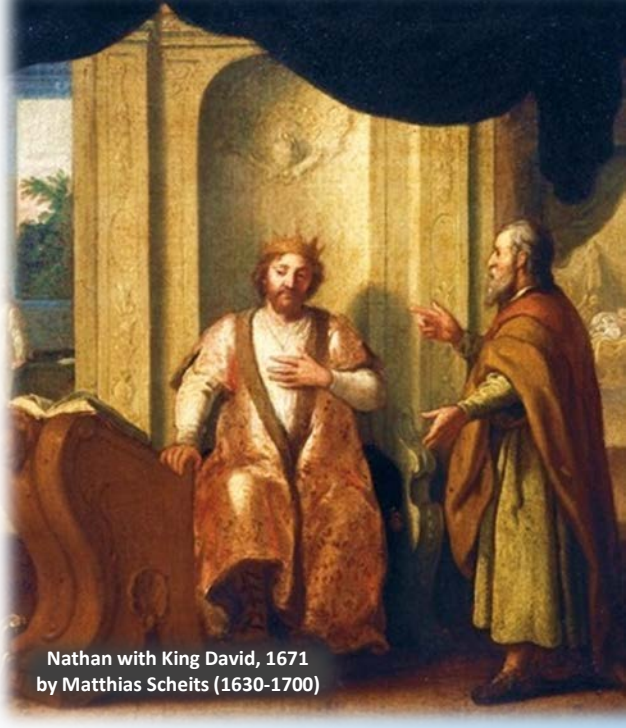
After all that he had endured … *now*

King of Israel

God saying, "Good & Faithful Servant"

God granting David … giving to David …

Goodness, didn't DAVID himself write Psalm 20:4



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4 May he give you the desire of your heart
and make all your plans succeed.

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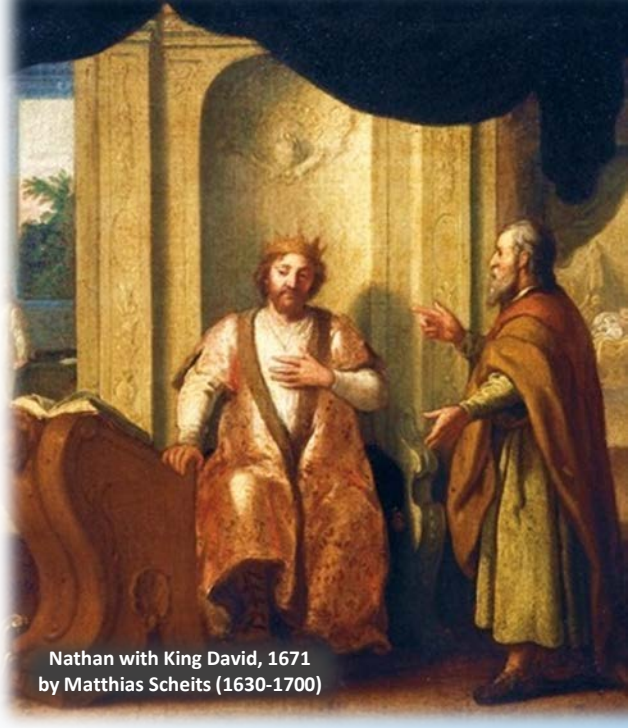
Didn't David also write Psalm 37:4

4 Take delight in the LORD,
and he will give you the
desires of your heart.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We BEGAN 2 Samuel 7 with David resting

With David DREAMING … hoping …

Then God BLESSED David with a "Forever Promise"

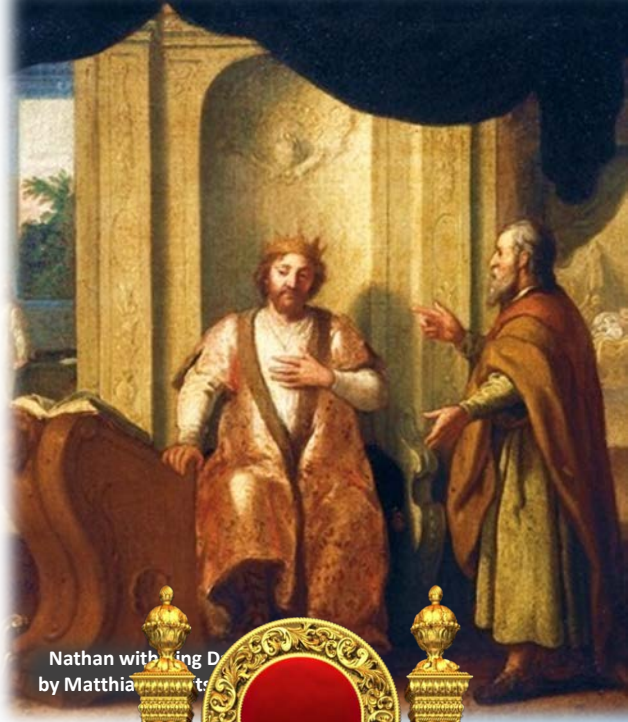
Our Family is our most PRECIOUS Heritage

Perhaps the greatest gift of all …

David's House …

David's Family …

David's Lineage …



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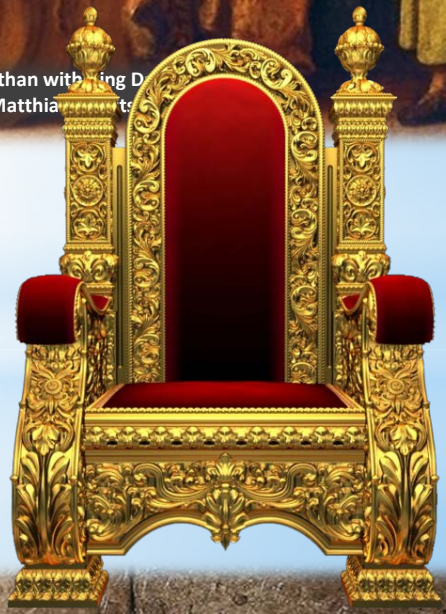

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