

"WHAT TO DO WHEN GOD SAYS 'NO'"

II Samuel 7:1-29

I. INTRODUCTION:

- A. The incident exposed the crack in David's armor:
 - 1. The actions and motives that surface when you are doing God's work your way: (*II Sam. 6*)
 - 2. The need to reestablish "waiting on the Lord": (*Isa. 40:31; Ps. 27:14*)
 - 3. The "fatigue" that sets in when doing good things your way:
- B. The faithfulness of God to give David a fresh beginning: vv. 1-2a
 - 1.
 - 2.
- C. David shares his dream with his friend: vv. 2-3
 - 1.
 - 2.

II. GOD GRACIOUSLY OFFERS HIS BETTER PLAN:

- A. God's unexpected reply to David's plan: vv. 4-17
 - 1. Saying "no" to the plan: (*II Chron. 6:7-9*)
 - 2. Saying "yes" to the man:
 - a.
 - b.
 - b.
 - c.
 - 3. Providing his reasoning later: (*I Chron. 22:1-5*)
- B. The acceptable response when you "wait on the Lord": vv. 18-29
 - 1.
 - 2.
- C. The peace that comes in trusting in God's answer: (*I Chron. 22:1-5*)
 - 1.
 - 2.

III. PRINCIPLES TO PERSONALLY APPLY:

(Together becoming "people of the Word" in principle AND in practice)

- A.
- B.
- C.

SINNERS PRAYER

Dear Heavenly Father, I was made by you and I was made for you, but I have been living for myself. I am sorry for that self-rule you call sin. I believe that Jesus Christ being my creator God, died, was buried, and rose again to pay the insurmountable debt that my sin has created since birth. So right now, I am turning from a life of going my own way, to by faith, place my trust in Jesus Christ, to pay the debt of all my sin, and to get me to heaven, when I breathe my last breath. Lord Jesus, from today on, I am yours. Thanks for saving me, this very moment, in Jesus name, amen.