

David The Great

2 Samuel 9

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1 Samuel 20:14-17 (NLT)

¹⁴And may you treat me with the faithful love of the LORD as long as I live. But if I die, ¹⁵treat my family with this faithful love, even when the LORD destroys all your enemies from the face of the earth.” ¹⁶So Jonathan made a solemn pact with David, saying, “May the LORD destroy all your enemies!” ¹⁷And Jonathan made David reaffirm his vow of friendship again, for Jonathan loved David as he loved himself.

Promise – a declaration that one will do or refrain from doing something specified; reason to expect something

Promises are made to be broken.

Covenant - : a usually formal, solemn, and binding agreement : compact : a written agreement or promise usually under seal between two or more parties especially for the performance of some action.

2 Samuel 9:1-8 (NLT)

¹One day David asked, “Is anyone in Saul’s family still alive—anyone to whom I can show kindness for Jonathan’s sake?” ²He summoned a man named Ziba, who had been one of Saul’s servants. “Are you Ziba?” the king asked. “Yes sir, I am,” Ziba replied. ³The king then asked him, “Is anyone still alive from Saul’s family? If so, I want to show God’s kindness to them.” Ziba replied, “Yes, one of Jonathan’s sons is still alive. He is crippled in both feet.” ⁴“Where is he?” the king asked. “In Lo-debar,” Ziba told him, “at the home of Makir son of Ammiel.” ⁵So David sent for him and brought him from Makir’s home. ⁶His name was Mephibosheth; he was Jonathan’s son and Saul’s grandson. When he came to David, he bowed low to the ground in deep respect. David said, “Greetings, Mephibosheth.” Mephibosheth replied, “I am your servant.” ⁷“Don’t be afraid!” David said. “I intend to show kindness to you because of my promise to your father, Jonathan. I will give you all the property that once belonged to your grandfather Saul, and you will eat here with me at the king’s table!” ⁸Mephibosheth bowed respectfully and exclaimed, “Who is your servant, that you should show such kindness to a dead dog like me?”

Kindness – Greek – *hesed* – means loving faithfulness or loyal love.

David’s and Jonathan’s Covenant:

1. Was forged and cultivated in **relationship**.
2. Was sealed by **blood**.
3. Was demonstrated **in/by/through faith**.

1 Samuel 20:42 (NLT)

⁴²At last Jonathan said to David, “Go in peace, for we have sworn loyalty to each other in the LORD’s name. The LORD is the witness of a bond between us and our children forever.” Then David left, and Jonathan returned to the town.

David’s and Jonathan’s Covenant:

4. Was fulfilled and **sealed through adoption**.

2 Samuel 9:11b (NLT)

¹¹And from that time on, Mephibosheth ate regularly at David’s table, like one of the king’s own sons.

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What are the blessings/promises of the New Covenant through Jesus Christ?

- a. **Salvation** and **Forgiveness** of sin

Ephesians 2:8-9 (ESV)

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Romans 6:23 (NLT)

²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.

What are the blessings/promises of the New Covenant through Jesus Christ?

- b. Become **sons/daughters of God**.

Galatians 4:4-7 (NLT)

⁴ But when the right time came, God sent his Son, born of a woman, subject to the law. ⁵ God sent him to buy freedom for us who were slaves to the law, so that he could adopt us as his very own children. ⁶ And because we are his children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, prompting us to call out, "Abba, Father." ⁷ Now you are no longer a slave but God's own child. And since you are his child, God has made you his heir.

What are the blessings/promises of the New Covenant through Jesus Christ?

- c. The **gift of the Holy Spirit**.

John 14:16-17 (NLT)

¹⁶ And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another **Advocate**, who will never leave you. ¹⁷ He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all **truth**. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you.

Acts 1:5 (NLT)

⁵ John baptized with water, but in just a few days you will be **baptized** with the Holy Spirit."

Acts 1:8 (NLT)

⁸ But you will receive **power** when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my **witnesses**, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

What are the blessings/promises of the New Covenant through Jesus Christ?

- d. Promise of His **soon return for the believers**.

John 14:1-3 (ESV)

¹ "Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ² In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that *I go to prepare a place for you*? ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, **I will come again** and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.

Titus 2:11-14 (ESV)

¹¹ For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, ¹² training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, ¹³ **waiting for our blessed hope**, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.