



When God Says No

# DAVID

A MAN AFTER GOD'S HEART

2 Samuel 7



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**Destructive Therapy** is a technique that helps you release your emotions at a safe, appropriate time and place. Thrash's Smash Rooms provide a safe, fun environment for people who are experiencing very normal feelings of sadness, anxiety, depression, stress, anger, and more to release these feelings acceptably.

COME BREAK SOMETHING!!

HOW DO YOU HANDLE IT  
**WHEN GOD SAYS NO?**















“When King David was settled in his palace and the Lord had given him rest from all the surrounding enemies, the king summoned Nathan the prophet.”

*(2 Samuel 7:1,2a, NLT)*



“Look,” David said “I am living in a beautiful cedar palace, but the Ark of God is out there in a tent!”  
*(2 Samuel 7:2b, NLT)*











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Nathan replied to the king, “Go ahead and do whatever you have in mind, for the Lord is with you.”  
*(2 Samuel 7:3, NLT)*



But that same night the Lord said to Nathan, “Go and tell my servant David, ‘This is what the Lord has declared: Are you the one to build a house for me to live in?’”

*(2 Samuel 7:4,5, NLT)*



“I have never lived in a house...  
I have never once complained...  
I have never asked, ‘Why haven’t  
you built me a beautiful cedar  
house?’”

*(2 Samuel 7:6-7, NLT)*



**God says no...  
to David's dream**



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← DAVID'S STORY →



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**BIBLE'S STORY**





**Why does God  
ever say no?**



God has a bigger  
**perspective**



“I **took you** from the pasture, from  
tending the flock, and **appointed**  
**you** ruler over my people Israel...”  
*(2 Samuel 7:8, NLT)*



“...I have been with you wherever  
you have gone, and I have cut off  
all your enemies from before you.”  
*(2 Samuel 7:9a, NLT)*



“Now I will make your name great,  
like the names of the greatest  
men on earth. And I will provide a  
place for my people Israel...”

*(2 Samuel 7:9b-10, NIV)*



“The Lord declares to you that the Lord himself **will establish a house** for you.”

*(2 Samuel 7:11b, NIV)*



“For when you die and are buried with your ancestors, I will raise up one of your descendants, your own offspring, and I will make his kingdom strong. He is the one who will build a house — a temple — for my name.”

*(2 Samuel 7:12, 13, NIV)*



**God has a better  
plan**



“And I will secure his royal throne forever. I will be his father, and he will be my son.... Your house and your kingdom will continue before me for all time, and your throne will be secure forever.”

*(2 Samuel 7:14a, 16, NIV)*



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never **be explained**

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Some things in my life will  
never **be explained**

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Some things in my life will  
never **change**



“So Nathan went back to David  
and told him everything  
the Lord had said in this vision.  
Then King David went in and  
**sat before the Lord** and prayed...”

*(2 Samuel 7:17, 18a, NIV)*



**1. Think  
of God's grace to you**



“Who am I, Sovereign Lord, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far?”

*(2 Samuel 7:18b, NIV)*



“Do you deal with everyone this way, O Sovereign Lord? What more can I say to you? **You know what your servant is really like, Sovereign Lord.**”

*(2 Samuel 7:19b-20, NIV)*



“Because of **your promise** and according to **your will**, you have done all these great things and have made them known to your servant.”

*(2 Samuel 7:21, NIV)*



“How great you are,  
O Sovereign Lord! There is no one  
like you. We have never even  
heard of another God like you!”

*(2 Samuel 7:22, NIV)*

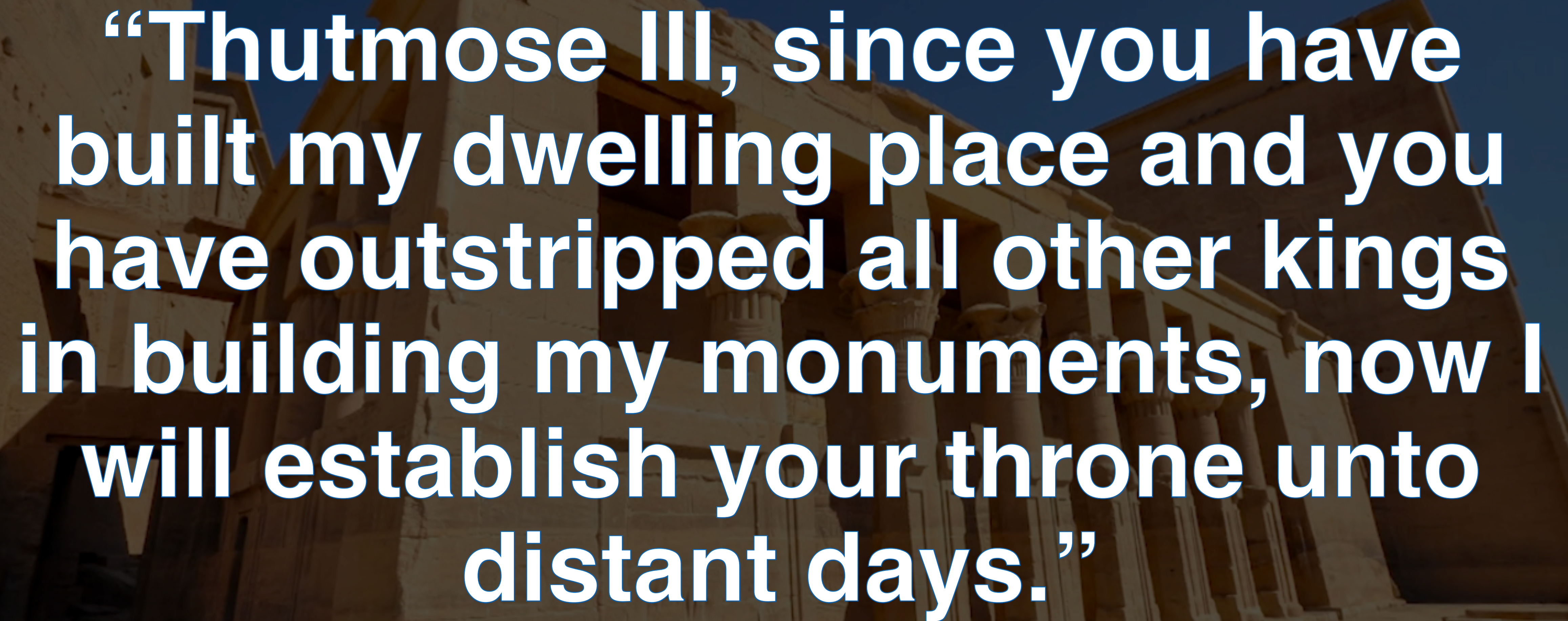










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**“Thutmose III, since you have  
built my dwelling place and you  
have outstripped all other kings  
in building my monuments, now I  
will establish your throne unto  
distant days.”**



“For it is by **grace** you have been saved, through faith — and this is not from yourselves, it is the **gift of God** — **not by works**, so that no one can boast. For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works God prepared...”

*(Ephesians 2:8-10a, NIV)*



**to be continued...**



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