

- 1 Samuel – Samuel, Saul, David ... 2 Samuel – David (1 Chronicles) ... 1-2 Kings – Solomon and Other Kings (2 Chronicles – only kings of Judah) ... Over 550yrs (from birth of Samuel – before 1090BC, till Judah returns home – 538BC) ... Jewish OT ends with 2 Chronicles – the people are released to resettle Jerusalem and rebuild the Temple ... The fulfillment of God's promise to David is on the horizon ... One will come from tribe of Judah, a descendent of David
- **Gen3:15** – Victorious Conqueror ... **Gen17** – From Abraham will come kings ... **Gen49** – Mighty, Sovereign King from Judah ... **Deu17:14-15** – distinction between man's king and God's King ... **Jud21:25** – the people lived as though no king ruled over them – no physical king; rejected God as King
- **1Sam8:5-7** – Israel demands a king to rule over them, instead of God ... **1Sam10:1** – Saul, from Judah, is anointed king over Israel ... Saul has the characteristics of a natural king ... He starts off well ... Fear of disappointing others and pride consume Saul and lead him away from following God ... In Saul rejecting God, God rejects Saul
- **1Sam13:14, 16:13** – David, from Judah, is chosen by God and anointed by Samuel to be king over God's people in God's land ... David doesn't have the characteristics of a natural king ... Though anointed king, he must endure a period of suffering and trial before he's vindicated and ascends the throne ... Life experiences of David mimic the life experiences of Christ ... David fights for the people, and endures every hardship, knowing it's the Lord fighting thru him – **"THROUGH HIM, GOD WORKS SALVATION FOR ISRAEL"**
 - David wants to build a house for the Lord (temple), but God promises to make a house for David (dynasty) ... From David will come a son who will build God's house and establish David's house forever ... David's son will be a son of God, and his kingdom will be established forever ... This son of God is representative of Israel and faithfully serves Israel ... The promise speaks of Solomon, and of One greater than Solomon who is yet to come (**Mat12:23, 42** and Matthew's gospel)
 - In many ways, the kingdom of David and Solomon fulfill the promises God gave to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and the 12 tribes concerning: people, land, and blessing – **1Kg8:56** ... In **1Kg4:20** – numerous population (**Ge22:17, 32:12**) ... **1Kg4:21** – boundaries of kingdom (**Ge15:18, Ex23:31**) ... **1Kg4:22-34, 10:23-24** – God's blessing and kingdom life is enjoyed by Israel, and those around them (rest/peace, wealth, provision, influence, power)
 - Remember, this is a representation of what it looks like to live as God's people in God's place and enjoying God's blessing ... Everything is meant to point the people towards something greater
- The promised Son of David, the eternal Son of God who took on humanity's nature, has come – Jesus the Christ ... This is the declaration of the gospels and explained throughout the NT ... **Lk1:32-33** ... **Ac2:30-36, 13:32-38** ... The NT boldly testifies that Jesus is the fulfillment of every scripture, promise, covenant the OT speaks of ... Right now, Jesus sits upon His rightful Throne and reigns as King
 - **PALMER ROBERTSON: THE QUESTION CANNOT BE RELEGATED TO ONE OF 'LITERAL' OR 'NON-LITERAL' INTERPRETATION. JESUS CHRIST 'LITERALLY' IS THE DESCENDANT OF DAVID. HE SITS 'LITERALLY' ON DAVID'S THRONE, SINCE FROM BOTH THE OLD TESTAMENT AND THE NEW TESTAMENT PERSPECTIVES THE 'THRONE OF DAVID' IS TO BE IDENTIFIED WITH THE THRONE OF GOD. AS THE FIGURES OF DAVID'S THRONE AND GOD'S THRONE MERGED IN THE THEOCRACY OF THE OLD COVENANT, SO GOD'S THRONE AND JESUS' POSITION AS HEIR TO DAVID'S THRONE SEATED AT GOD'S RIGHT-HAND MERGE IN THE NEW COVENANT. (The Christ of the Covenants, pg221)**