Unit 11, Session 3 God Made a Covenant with David (2 Samuel 6–7)



Dear families,

David is described in the Bible as a man after God's own heart. (1 Sam. 13:14) Though at times David showed the depth of his depravity, he also demonstrated a love for God that was radical. In 2 Samuel 6, we see this take the form of David dancing with all his might before the Lord.

There was much external evidence of David's love for God, including his praising and rejoicing, dancing, and playing instruments. We also see in David's life a depth of love for God as evidenced in the way that he prayed.

In 2 Samuel 7:18, after David heard from the Lord through Nathan, we find the beginning of an incredibly humble prayer of thanksgiving to God. David's first response to the great things that God had promised Him was to say, "Who am I, Lord GOD, and what is my house that you have brought me this far?"

David didn't stand up taller or display an attitude that suggested he deserved God's blessing. He did just the opposite of that. David recognized that he simply didn't deserve the good things that God had done and had promised to do.

When you think about God's great work in your life or when you read His Word and recall His precious and very great promises, what is your response? Do you find yourself believing you

deserve it and wishing there was more, or do you rightfully understand that God alone has brought you this far, leading you to respond in praise and thanksgiving?

This week, take the time to remember some of the great things that God has done in your life, how He saved you and others in your life. Remember how He has given you victory over sin. Remember the things you've seen God do in the lives of friends and family members.

Humbly thank God for what He's done, and boldly ask Him to continue to work—not because you deserve it but because you desire to see, know, and love God more.

Check out *The Gospel Project At Home* for resources designed to help you lead a family worship experience as well as suggestions for morning and evening prayer times and family activities.

FAMILY TALKING POINTS

CHRIST CONNECTION

This is the big idea of how this week's Bible story points to Jesus.

- Babies & Toddlers: Jesus will be King over God's people forever.
- Younger Preschool: God promised that future kings of Israel would come from David's family. God kept His promise. God sent His Son, Jesus. Jesus will be King over God's people forever.
- **Older Preschool:** God promised David that future kings of Israel would come from David's family. God kept His promise. God sent His Son, Jesus, as part of David's family. Jesus is our King. Jesus is alive, and He will be King over God's people forever.
- **Kids:** God promised David that future kings of Israel would come from David's family, and David's kingdom would last forever. God kept His promise by sending His Son, Jesus, as one of David's descendants. Jesus is our King who will rule over God's people forever.

BIG PICTURE QUESTION & ANSWER

This is an important biblical truth that your child will encounter each week of this unit.

- Younger Preschool: What is grace? Grace is when God gives us something good even when we do not deserve it.
- **Older Preschool**: What is grace? Grace is when God gives us something good even when we do not deserve it.
- **Kids**: What is grace? Grace is when God gives us something good even when we do not deserve it.

KEY PASSAGE

This is a Bible verse that relates to what your child will encounter each week of this unit.

- Babies & Toddlers: God forgives our wrong choices. Ephesians 1:7
- Younger Preschool: God forgives our wrong choices. Ephesians 1:7
- **Older Preschool**: In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace. Ephesians 1:7
- **Kids**: In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he richly poured out on us with all wisdom and understanding. Ephesians 1:7-8

** Next week: David Sinned and Was Forgiven (2 Samuel 11–12)