

PURSUING OUR CAPACITY

A person with a backpack stands on a rocky mountain peak, looking out over a vast, hazy landscape of rolling hills and valleys under a clear sky.

Perspective on world events

Titus 2:11-14 NKJV

¹¹ For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, ¹² teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, ¹³ **looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ,** ¹⁴ who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people, zealous for good works.

Mark 13:28-33 NKJV

28 “Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender, and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. 29 So you also, when you see these things happening, know that it is near—at the doors! 30 Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. 31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away. 32 “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 33 Take heed, watch and pray; for you do not know when the time is.”




Joel 1:7
Habakkuk
3:17
Hosea
9:10
Jeremiah
24:5-8
Matt
21:18-20
Luke
13:6-9



Matthew 23:37-39 NKJV

³⁷ “O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under *her* wings, but you were not willing! ³⁸ See! Your house is left to you desolate; ³⁹ for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, ‘Blessed *is* He who comes in the name of the LORD!’ ”

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- A person is sitting on a rocky hillside, looking out over a vast landscape of mountains and hills. The scene is captured in a soft, hazy light, possibly during sunrise or sunset. The person is wearing a blue shirt and dark pants. The background shows rolling hills and mountains under a pale sky.
- 1. Israel in the Land**
 - 2. Israel has autonomy**
 - 3. The Jewish people welcome him**
 - 4. It is a physical and literal return**

Zechariah 12:3 NKJV

3 And it shall happen in that day that I will make Jerusalem a very heavy stone for all peoples; all who would heave it away will surely be cut in pieces, though all nations of the earth are gathered against it.

Zechariah 12, 14, Ezekiel 38, Psalm 83 and Joel 3

Ronald Youngblood: 2 Samuel 7 is “the centre and focus of . . . the Deuteronomistic history itself.”

Walter Brueggemann “dramatic and theological centre of the entire Samuel corpus” and as “the most crucial theological statement in the Old Testament.”

Robert Gordon “ideological summit . . . in the Old Testament as a whole.”

John Levenson “receives more attention in the Hebrew Bible than any covenant except the Sinaitic.”

2 Samuel 7:12-13, 16 NKJV

12 “When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. 13 He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

16 And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever.”

The Davidic Covenant (2 Samuel 7)

Unconditional covenant made between God and David through which God promises David and Israel that the Messiah (Jesus Christ) would come from the lineage of David and the tribe of Judah and would establish a kingdom that would endure forever.

God does not place any conditions of obedience upon its fulfilment.

The Davidic covenant through the ages

Psalm 89 I have made a covenant with my chosen, I have sworn unto David

Psalm 132:11-18, Isaiah 7:13-25; 9:7; 11:1, Jeremiah 23:5-6; 30:8-9; 33:14-26; Ezekiel 34:20-24; 37:24-25; Hosea 3:5; Amos 9:11; Zechariah 3:8; 6:12-13, 12:7-8

The Royal Psalms

Psalms 2, 18, 20, 21, 45, 72, 89, 101, 110, 144

The NT Fulfilment

Matt 1:1, Luke 1:31-32, 69; Acts 13:34; Hebrews 1:5; 5:5, Revelation 3:7 and Rev 19:16.

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