

THE HOUSE THAT DAVID DIDN'T BUILD

2 Samuel 7:1–29

It's tempting to try and measure the Christian life by what we're doing *for* God. We want to live wisely, give generously, and declare urgently. Desires like these are good, but they can quietly leave us carrying a responsibility God never gave us—as though his purposes ultimately depend upon *our* ability to accomplish them. Scripture offers something far better: a life of humble dependence upon the God whose grace precedes our service and whose promises do not depend upon our strength. We can work diligently and faithfully without believing everything rests on us. We can face an uncertain future without needing to know how everything will turn out. And we can wait confidently for promises we could never fulfil ourselves. So what does a life look like when our confidence rests not in what we can accomplish for God, but in what God has promised to accomplish?

David's Desire

7:1–3

God's Provision

7:4–17

David's Prayer

7:18–29

Our Response

- *Receive* what God gives
- *Trust* what God says
- *Expect* what God will do