

1 Chronicles 22:10

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He shall build an house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I will be his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.

Analysis

God's promise about Solomon 'He shall build an house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I will be his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever' reiterates the Davidic covenant with specific application to Solomon. The father-son language emphasizes covenant intimacy. The phrase 'for ever' points beyond Solomon to ultimate fulfillment in Christ, the eternal Son who builds the true temple (John 2:19-21). Solomon's temple was destroyed, but Christ's temple - the church - endures forever. The interplay of divine promise and human obedience teaches that God's purposes accomplish through His chosen means.

Historical Context

Solomon's reign (c. 970-930 BCE) began with this promise from David, shaping Solomon's primary accomplishment - building the temple. Yet Solomon's later failures demonstrated that earthly kings only partially fulfill God's promise, creating expectation for the perfect King.

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son, whom I will set upon thy throne in thy room, he shall build an house unto my name.

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