

WHEN THE ANSWER IS “NO”

2 Samuel 7

Central Idea: *When God’s plans for us are different than we desire or expect, we can trust in His goodness.*

☞ When We have Plans ...

- David’s house (1a)
- David’s kingdom (1b)
- David’s ambition (2-3)

☞ But God Says “No”

- Accept His decision (4-7, 18)
- Remember His blessings (8-9a)

- Believe His promises (9b-16)

- Praise His name (18-29)

☞ Life Lessons to Apply

When God says “no” ...

- 1 remember ...
- 2 know ...
- 3 focus ...
- 4 trust ...

Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

1. Read 2 Samuel 7. (You may also wish to read 1 Chronicles 17.)
2. What does it tell us about David that he was concerned the ark of God dwelt within tent curtains while he himself was in a beautiful house?
3. Make a list of the promises God made to David in 7.9-16. Which stands out to you?
4. Read 7.14-15 which speak of God’s discipline and lovingkindness. Reflect on how these are true in both David’s life and ours.
5. How would you describe David’s attitude and posture in prayer in 7.18-29?
6. Can you recall a time when God said no to your plans? How did you respond?
7. Discuss the four life lessons we can apply to our lives when God says no.

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Kukyeev*

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Life of David



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2 Samuel 7

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WHEN WE HAVE PLANS ...

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- David's kingdom
- David's ambition

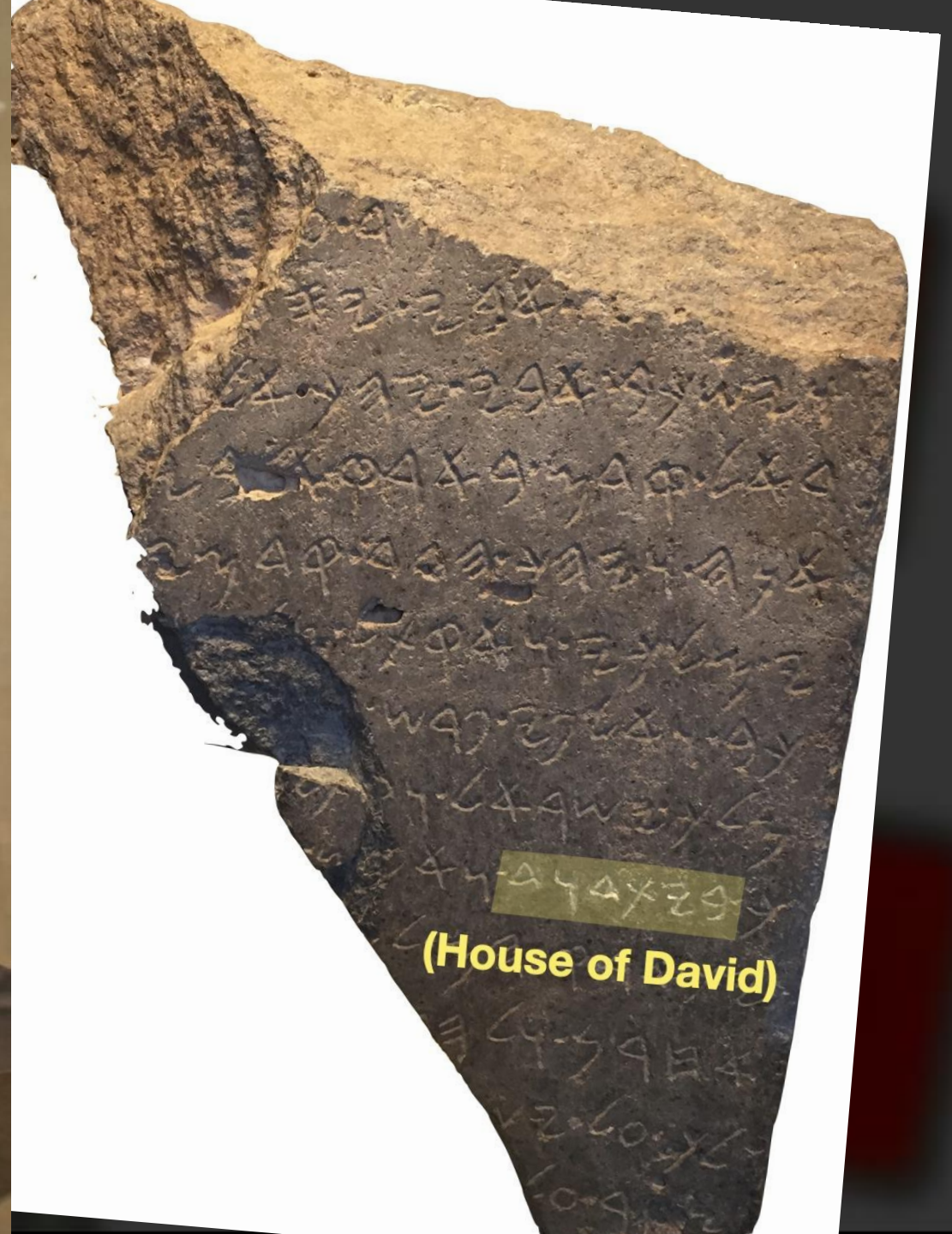
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The Tel Dan Stele
Tel Dan, Israel
Basalt stone
Aramaic
ca. 840-800 BC

Also called the "House of David Inscription," this stone preserves the first ancient reference to King David's dynasty ever discovered. The king of Aram-Damascus created this inscription about 150 years after the time of David.



(House of David)

Four Temples in Jerusalem

Built and Destroyed

**First
Temple**

Solomon

**960 B.C.
586 B.C.**

**Second
Temple**

Zerubbabel
(Herod)

**516 B.C.
A.D. 70**

Yet to be Built

**Third
Temple**

Tribulation

**Fourth
Temple**

Millennium

BUT GOD SAYS NO ...

- Accept His decision
- Remember His blessings
- Believe His promises
 - Praise His name

LIFE LESSONS TO APPLY

When God Says NO ...

- remember there is always a reason
 - know it is for our good
- focus on the eternal, not the temporal
 - trust in His goodness