Weekly Message Study Guide

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Lead Like A Shepherd | Davidic Covenant | Week 5 | March 28

2 Samuel 7; Acts 13:20-23

CONTEXT | Through our Lenten series this year, we are looking at seven circles of commitment that God invites people into in order to bless us and make our lives a blessing to others. Since we are in a living relationship these weekly reviews for us are meant to encourage us forward in actively, participating in our relationship with Jesus.

Week One: Edenic Covenant can be summarized as Respect the lines and you will flourish (Original Grace).

Week Two: Noahic Covenant we can summarize as Reverencing life and remember that you are accountable. (Common Grace).

Week Three: Abrahamic Covenant we can summarize as Walk by faith and blessing will flow. (Commissioning Grace).

Week Four: Mosaic Covenant we can summarize as Walk faithfully fulfilling the Law as a nation of God's treasured possessions of a kingdom of priests so that all nations will be blessed.

Video Overview of Biblical History: There was a lot of biblical history this week that was important and helpful. It will be well worth the 15-minutes to watch both videos then proceed with the questions: $\underline{1}$ Samuel and $\underline{2}$ Samuel.

What a Life | What do you recall as highlights from the life of King David? What are some low lights?

- Reflecting on David's life in this way what stands out to you? What surprises you or inspires you?
- What did you notice from the videos that helped you see or understand the bigger picture of Scripture?

David Covenant | Read 2 Samuel 7:8-16 and then notice David's Response in 2 Samuel 7:18-29.

- What stands out to you about this covenant? Key elements?
- How would you describe David's response? What does it showcase?

It's a Heart Issue | Read Acts 13:20-23

- Summarize this passage for someone who doesn't know the back story?
- Does anything surprise you about how God describes David here? Why?

It's a Heart Issue Part 2 | The heart of David should speak to us. Challenge us. Encourage us (even in our shortcomings). David pursued God and God pursued David. David's character can be described as follows



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- Not perfection—as David's stories reveals amazing qualities.
 - What qualities would you ascribe to David?
- God's grace abounds in David's life—which required great repentance and humility and trust.
 - What examples of God's grace in David's life stand out to you?
 - Where do we see repentance, humility and trust from David's life?
- The orientation of his heart, even in his imperfections and growing transformation, was toward God...seeking his face...worshipping him.
 - Where do you see examples of this continued transformation and orientation towards God?
- What do you glean from David's story that inspires, gives hope, or draws you closer to God's heart in your own life?

THE King | As we were reminded from the sermons and biblical videos, Jesus is the ultimate fulfillment of the true King that fulfills the Davidic Covenant. Bringing this close to our own hearts then...

- What Christ-like qualities do you find growing in your heart and life as a follower of Christ the King?
- Can your heart be described as one that is longing after Jesus? Why or why not?
- Where in your life do you see examples of confession, humility and transformation? Do you?
- How will you continually orientate your heart and life towards Jesus?

Practice of the Week | Be sure to listen to <u>this Monday's Lenten audio devotional</u> for a special perspective on the Davidic Covenant and King Jesus on the first Palm Sunday.

