SEMINAR FOUR

THE GOSPEL – The Promises to David

Why was David chosen?

Psalm 78v70 — Because he was a good shepherd — "integrity and skillfulness"

Matt 1v1 — Because he was in line of Messiah — "The son of David... son of Abraham"

Acts 13v22 — Because he was "a man after God's own heart and would do God's will"

THE INITIAL PROMISE II Samuel 7

- (1) His name to be great (RSV "I will make...") v9
- (3) His house to be built v11
- (5) His seed would build God's Temple and his throne would be established forever! v13



- (2) His people to be settled v10
- (4) His seed to be set up after him as a royal dynasty v12
- (6) His seed would have God as his Father **v14**

(7) His seed would receive mercy despite punishment if he sinned v15

THE INITIAL PROMISE EXPANDED

Given as a PROMISE
II Samuel 7v28
Acts 13v23



Confirmed as a COVENANT
II Samuel 23v5
Isaiah 55v3



Sworn as an OATH
Psalm 89v35
Acts 2v30

God's Promises to David are **unbreakable!** They will be fulfilled because God has guaranteed it by the witness of each day! **Jeremiah 33v15-26**

HOW DO WE KNOW THIS PROMISE LOOKS BEYOND SOLOMON?

- (1) The phrase "forever" used 3x by God in II Sam 7v13,16 excludes a mortal sinner and the terms of v14 clearly couldn't refer to Solomon!
- (2) II Sam 7v19, I Chron 17v17 David acknowledges that this promise related to "a great while to come" and that it spoke of someone far greater than his own immediate house II Sam 23v5 God's own Son!
- (3) Luke 1v30-35, 69 Angels categorically witnessed that Jesus would be the fulfilment of the Promises to David God's Son via the Holy Spirit and David's Son via Mary (4) Jesus Christ applies Psalm 110v1 in Matt 22v41-46 to himself to prove that he was the fulfilment of the Promises! he was David's Lord because of his divine Father!

THE FULFILLMENT IS IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT THE RESURRECTION!

- (1) II Sam 7v16 "Kingdom established forever before thee (Lit "In thy presence")
- (2) Acts 13v22-23,30-34 Paul argues that the "everlasting covenant of the sure mercies of David" in Isaiah 55v3 guarantees the resurrection of Jesus Christ!