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Major Biblical Covenants III

Davidic Covenant

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Davidic Covenant

- ✓ The Promise (2 Sam 7:12–16)
- ✓ Note the telescopic nature of prophecy—a **NEAR** fulfillment and **FAR** fulfillment
- ✓ Context—David wanted to build a temple for God, but God wanted to build a house for David

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Davidic Covenant

- ✓ Provisions (2 Sam 7:12–16)
 - ❖ Great name (7:9)
 - ❖ Home for Israel (7:10)
 - ❖ Rest from enemies (7:10–11)
 - ❖ A child who will establish his kingdom
 - ❖ Solomon to build temple
 - ❖ Throne established forever
 - ❖ David's house, throne, kingdom established forever

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Davidic Covenant

- ✓ Restatements of Davidic Covenant
 - ❖ Psalm 89:3–4: “I have cut a covenant with My chosen; I have sworn to David My servant, I will establish your seed forever and build up your throne from generation to generation.”
 - ❖ Psalm 89:34–36
 - ❖ Isaiah 9:6–7
 - ❖ Jer 23:5–6, 30:8–9, 33:14–17, 20–21; Ezek 37:24–25; Dan 7:13–14; Hos 3:4–5; Amos 9:11; Zech 14:4, 9
 - ❖ Psalms as a response to the Davidic Covenant

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Davidic Covenant

- ✓ Character of the Davidic Covenant
 - ❖ Unconditional
 - Only conditional element: Would David's descendants reign **without interruption?**
 - ❖ Eternal
 - 2 Sam 7:13, 16; 23:5; Ezek 37:25

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Messianic Fulfillment of Davidic Covenant

- ✓ Meaning of the Davidic promise found in other passages (Psalm 2, 72, 89, 110, 132)
- ✓ Points to final fulfillment in **ONE** Person
 - ❖ Jer 30:9; Hos 3:5
 - ❖ Promise of a specific Branch from David (Jer 23:5; 33:15; Isa 4:2; 11:2; Zech 3:8; 6:12)
- ✓ Universal Dimensions
 - ❖ Psalm 72:8; 2:8
 - ❖ Does not nullify Israel's national existence

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Relationship between the Covenants

Davidic Covenant	Abrahamic Covenant
Personal Great Name	Personal Great Name
Blessing	Blessing
Kings as descendants	Kings as descendants
Aim of ultimate universal blessing	Aim of ultimate universal blessing
Land or a place for the nation	Land or a place for the nation

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Davidic Covenant in the New Testament

- ✓ Coming of Jesus linked to the promised descendant of David (Matt 1:1)
- ✓ Jesus recognized as "Son of David"
- ✓ Early Church recognized Jesus as promised seed of David (Acts 2:36; 13:34ff; 15:16)
- ✓ The seed of David becomes divine when Jesus is raised (Rom 1:3-4)
- ✓ Jesus hold the key of David (Rev 3:7)
- ✓ Root and offspring of David (Rev 22:16)

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David and Psalm 110

- ✓ Prediction of Messianic Kingship
- ✓ Jesus used Psalm 110 as evidence that Messiah is more than a human son (Matt 22:42–44)
- ✓ Peter used Psalm 110 in his Pentecost sermon to prove the identity of Jesus as Messiah (Acts 2:22–36)

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Psalm 110 and Acts 2

- ✓ Traditional/Modified Dispensational view
 - ❖ A distinction between Davidic throne on earth and the right hand of God in heaven (Acts 2:30)
- ✓ Amillennial/Postmillennial view
 - ❖ David's throne has been transferred to heaven (Covenant Theology view by some)

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Psalm 110 and Acts 2

- ✓ Modified Progressive Dispensational view
 - ❖ Jesus is seated on David's throne but not yet ruling from David's throne
- ✓ Progressive Dispensational view
 - ❖ Some believe Jesus is currently on David's throne ruling spiritually, but the full political reign from David's throne is still future

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Jesus' Current Relationship to Davidic Throne

- ✓ Scripture best supports
 - ❖ Traditional/Modified Dispensational view with Modified Progressive Dispensational a close second
- ✓ Jesus assumes throne at second coming (Matt 25:31; Rev 3:21)
- ✓ "All authority" of Matthew 28 and Ephesians 1 best understood as sharing the Father's throne
- ✓ Satan still operates as ruler/god of this age
- ✓ Throne of David related directly to land

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