

Psalm 89

The David Covenant

(When in Dark and Difficult Times)

The LORD'S Covenant with David, and Israel's Afflictions.

A MASKIL OF ETHAN THE EZRAHITE

Covenant - a binding agreement

- parties bound together in a relationship

Ethan the Ezrahite

- appointed as a musician during the time of King David (1 Chr 15:16-19)
- demonstrated wisdom during Solomon's reign (1 Ki 4:30-31)

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Maskil (Maschil)

- For instructing - a song enforcing some lesson of wisdom or piety (Easton's bible dictionary)
- song or poem of contemplation (Strong's)

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a prayer that God would honour the covenant
that He made with David.

God's Covenant with David

“Now therefore, thus you shall say to My servant David, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts, “I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep, to be ruler over My people Israel. I have been with you wherever you have gone and have cut off all your enemies from before you; and I will make you a great name, like the names of the great men who are on the earth.

God's Covenant with David - 2

I will also appoint a place for My people Israel and will plant them, that they may live in their own place and not be disturbed again, nor will the wicked afflict them any more as formerly, even from the day that I commanded judges to be over My people Israel; and I will give you rest from all your enemies. The LORD also declares to you that the LORD will make a house for you.

God's Covenant with David - 3

When your days are complete and you lie down with your fathers, I will raise up your descendant after you, who will come forth from you, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him and he will be a son to Me; when he commits iniquity, I will correct him with the rod of men and the strokes of the sons of men, but My lovingkindness shall not depart from him, as I took it away from Saul, whom I removed from before you. Your house and your kingdom shall endure before Me forever; your throne shall be established forever.”””

2 Sa 7:8-16 (NASB Strong's)

Psalm 89 (Starts with Praise)

I will sing of the lovingkindness of the LORD forever;

To all generations I will make known Your
faithfulness with my mouth.

For I have said, “Lovingkindness will be built up forever;

In the heavens You will establish Your faithfulness.”

“I have made a covenant with My chosen;

I have sworn to David My servant,

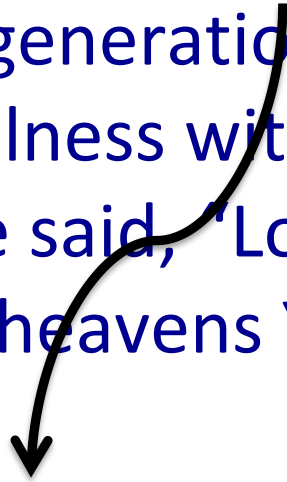
I will establish your seed forever

And build up your throne to all generations.”

Selah.

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mercy 149,
kindness 40,
lovingkindness 30,
goodness 12
other words 17

Mercy/lovingkindness,
faithfulness are part of
God's character

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Selah.

Psalm 89:5-10

The heavens will praise Your wonders, O LORD;
Your faithfulness also in the assembly of the holy
ones.

For who in the skies is comparable to the LORD?

Who among the sons of the mighty is like the LORD,
A God greatly feared in the council of the holy ones,
And awesome above all those who are around Him?
O LORD God of hosts, who is like You, O mighty LORD?
Your faithfulness also surrounds You.

You rule the swelling of the sea;

When its waves rise, You still them.

You Yourself crushed Rahab like one who is slain;

You scattered Your enemies with Your mighty arm.

Psalms 89:11-14

The heavens are Yours, the earth also is Yours;
The world and all it contains, You have founded
them.

The north and the south, You have created them;
Tabor and Hermon shout for joy at Your name.

You have a strong arm;

Your hand is mighty, Your right hand is exalted.
Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your
throne;

Lovingkindness and truth go before You.

Psalms 89:15-18

How blessed are the people who know the joyful sound!
O LORD, they walk in the light of Your countenance.
In Your name they rejoice all the day,
And by Your righteousness they are exalted.
For You are the glory of their strength,
And by Your favor our horn is exalted.
For our shield belongs to the LORD,
And our king to the Holy One of Israel.

Psalm 89:19-23

Once You spoke in vision to Your godly ones,
And said, “I have given help to one who is mighty;
I have exalted one chosen from the people.
“I have found David My servant;
With My holy oil I have anointed him,
With whom My hand will be established;
My arm also will strengthen him.
“The enemy will not deceive him,
Nor the son of wickedness afflict him.
“But I shall crush his adversaries before him,
And strike those who hate him.

Psalm 89:24-29

“My faithfulness and My lovingkindness will be with him,

And in My name his horn will be exalted.

“I shall also set his hand on the sea

And his right hand on the rivers.

“He will cry to Me, ‘You are my Father,
My God, and the rock of my salvation.’

“I also shall make him My firstborn,

The highest of the kings of the earth.

“My lovingkindness I will keep for him forever,
And My covenant shall be confirmed to him.

“So I will establish his descendants forever
And his throne as the days of heaven.

Psalms 89:30-32

“If his sons forsake My law
And do not walk in My judgments,
If they violate My statutes
And do not keep My commandments,
Then I will punish their transgression with the rod
And their iniquity with stripes.

Psalms 89:33-37

“But I will not break off My lovingkindness from him,
Nor deal falsely in My faithfulness.

“My covenant I will not violate,
Nor will I alter the utterance of My lips.

“Once I have sworn by My holiness;
I will not lie to David.

“His descendants shall endure forever
And his throne as the sun before Me.

“It shall be established forever like the moon,
And the witness in the sky is faithful.”

Selah.

The Lament Begins

Psalms 89:38-41

But You have cast off and rejected,
You have been full of wrath against Your anointed.
You have spurned the covenant of Your servant;
You have profaned his crown in the dust.
You have broken down all his walls;
You have brought his strongholds to ruin.
All who pass along the way plunder him;
He has become a reproach to his neighbors.

Psalm 89:42-45

You have exalted the right hand of his adversaries;

You have made all his enemies rejoice.

You also turn back the edge of his sword

And have not made him stand in battle.

You have made his splendor to cease

And cast his throne to the ground.

You have shortened the days of his youth;

You have covered him with shame.

Selah.

Psalm 89:46-48

How long, O LORD?

Will You hide Yourself forever?

Will Your wrath burn like fire?

Remember what my span of life is;

For what vanity You have created all the sons of
men!

What man can live and not see death?

Can he deliver his soul from the power of Sheol?

Selah.

Psalms 89:49-51

Where are Your former lovingkindnesses, O Lord,
Which You swore to David in Your faithfulness?
Remember, O Lord, the reproach of Your servants;
How I bear in my bosom the reproach of all the
many peoples,
With which Your enemies have reproached, O LORD,
With which they have reproached the footsteps of
Your anointed.

The Ending

Psalm 89:52

Blessed be the LORD forever!
Amen and Amen.

What does this have to do with us?

It points us to Jesus

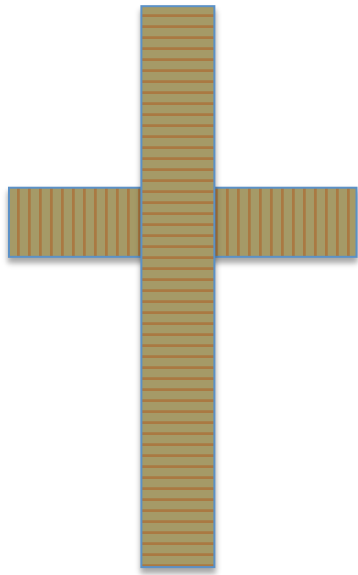
David	Jesus
chosen by God	chosen by the Father
exalted	exalted
Raised (set high above) the people	Raised (set high above) the people

Culmination in Jesus

“The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham” Mt 1:1

“Do not be afraid, Mary; for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Him Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David; and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and His kingdom will have no end.” Lk 1:31-33

“...I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.” Rev 22:16



A New Covenant

Repentance



And when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is My body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of Me.” And in the same way He took the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in My blood. Luke 22:19-29

Focus on and Worship God



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forever;

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faithfulness with my mouth.



Worship God for who He is

God loved us so much that He sent His Son

Trust in God's steadfast love and faithfulness

Bring your cares and concerns to God

**Praise, praise, praise – snuggle closer when
times are tough**

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