

## 2 Samuel 7 keywords

Now when **the king** **was settled** in his **house**, and **YHWH** had given him rest from **all** his enemies around him, **the king** said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, **I am settled** in a **house** of cedar, but the ark of God **is settled** in a tent curtain." Nathan said to **the king**, "Go, do **all** that you have in mind; for **YHWH** is with you."

But that same night the **word** of **YHWH** came to Nathan: Go and tell my **servant** David: Thus says **YHWH**: Are you the one to build me a **house to settle** in? **I have not settled** in a **house** since the day I brought up the **people** of **Israel** from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among **all** the **people** of **Israel**, did I ever speak a **word** with any of the tribal leaders of **Israel**, whom I commanded to shepherd my **people Israel**, saying, "Why have you not built me a **house** of cedar?" Now therefore thus you shall say to my **servant** David: Thus says **YHWH of hosts**: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my **people Israel**; and I have been with you wherever you went, and have cut off **all** your enemies from **before your face**; and I will make for you a **great name**, like the **name** of the **great** ones of the land. And I will appoint a place for my **people Israel** and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place, and be disturbed no more; and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my **people Israel**; and I will give you rest from **all** your enemies. Moreover **YHWH** declares to you that **YHWH** will make you a **house**. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, 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 shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings. But **I will not turn aside** my steadfast love from him, **as I turned it aside** from Saul, whom **I turned away before your face**. Your **house** and your kingdom shall be made sure **forever before my face**; **your throne shall be established forever**. In accordance with **all** these **words** and with **all** this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

Then King David went in and **settled before the face** of **YHWH**, and said, "Who am I, **O Lord YHWH**, and what is my **house**, that you have brought me thus far? And yet this was a small thing in your eyes, **O Lord YHWH**; you have given **word** also of your **servant's house** for a long while to come. May this be instruction for the **people**, **O Lord YHWH**! And what more can David say to you? For you know your **servant**, **O Lord YHWH**! Because of your **word**, and according to your own heart, you have wrought **all** this **greatness**, so that your **servant** may know it. Therefore **you are great**, **O YHWH God**; for there is no one like you, and there is no God except you, according to **all** that we have heard with our ears. Who is like your **people**, like **Israel**? Is there another nation on the land whose God went to redeem it as a **people**, and to make a **name** for himself, doing **great** and awesome things for the land in the **face** of your **people**, by redeeming his **people** from Egypt, its nations and their gods? And **you established** your **people Israel** for yourself to be your **people forever**; and you, **O YHWH**, became their God.

**And now**, **O YHWH God**, as for the **word** that you have **worded** concerning your **servant** and concerning his **house**, confirm it **forever**; do as you have promised. Thus your **name** will be **made great forever** in the saying, '**YHWH of hosts** is God over **Israel**'; and the **house** of your **servant** David **will be established before your face**. For you, **O YHWH of hosts**, the God of **Israel**, have made this revelation to your **servant**, saying, 'I will build you a **house**'; therefore your **servant** has found courage to pray this prayer to you. **And now**, **O Lord YHWH**, you are God, and your **words** are true, and you have promised this good thing to your **servant**; **and now** may it please you to bless the **house** of your **servant**, so that it may continue **forever before your face**; for you, **O Lord YHWH**, have given **word**, and with your blessing shall the **house** of your **servant** be blessed **forever**."