

FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2018



**BIBLE STORY:**

*2 Samuel 7*

**BIBLE VERSE:**

*2 Samuel 7:28*

**BABIES—PRESCHOOL TEXT TRUTH:**

*God's words are true. (BT)*

*God keeps His promises. (PS)*

**KIDS TEXT TRUTH:**

*God made a promise to David that would last forever. (YK)*

*God made an everlasting covenant with David. (OK)*

**ADULT CORE PASSAGE:**

*Galatians 1:1-10*

**FAMILY MEMORY VERSE:**

*Galatians 1:8*

**FAMILY READING PLAN:**

**SUNDAY:** *Galatians 1:6-7*

**MONDAY:** *Galatians 1:8-9*

**TUESDAY:** *Galatians 1:10*

**WEDNESDAY:** *Galatians 1:11-12*

**THURSDAY:** *Galatians 1:13-14*

**FRIDAY:** *Galatians 1:15-17*

**SATURDAY:** *Galatians 1:18-20*

## FAMILY BIBLE EXPLORATION

Share these points as you study *2 Samuel* and *Galatians* together as a family:



- **David, a man after God's own heart.** David had lived a life full of adventure and peril. Through all of the hardships and trials in David's life, he hung on to one truth that motivated and drove him—God is the one true God. David knew what God's provision looked—and for that matter, felt—like, and he lived in such a way that his actions and attitudes honored the God whom he served. As a way to honor God, David desired to build a temple, a solid structure, for the ark of the covenant to rest in. The ark symbolized God's presence among His people and David wanted God's presence to have a real home in which to live.
- **Nathan the prophet.** Nathan was a previously unknown prophet. Because he was close to David, Nathan knew that David's true desire was to worship the Lord. When David shared his plans to build a temple for the ark, Nathan gave David his blessing to begin the task and simply told David to do what was in David's heart. Nathan had neglected to consult the Lord on this task, however, and that evening Nathan was told in a dream that David would not be the one to build the temple after all.
- **God's covenant with David.** David's desire was to build a more permanent place for God's presence to dwell rather than in the tent in which it resided. God was not a God in need of a dwelling place at this time; He already had a dwelling place. God was more concerned with rescuing people from sin, and that rescue would come through David's family line. God blessed David with a promise of eternal kingship. God promised David that through his family line God would one day send a king above all kings to rule forever on David's throne.
- **The hope continues.** God had appointed David as the king of Israel and had given David a great promise. Paul, the apostle, was also appointed by God to share the gospel message with the Gentiles. Paul encouraged the believers to receive the peace of God that came through the shed blood of Jesus Christ.