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THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S

GOD'S POWER, LOYAL LOVE, AND FAITHFULNESS

PSALM 89:21–34

**What the Bible Teaches
About
*The Davidic Covenant***



DAVIDIC COVENANT

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2 Sam. 7:12–16

Psa. 89

1 Chron. 17:11–14

ETERNAL HOUSE

2 Sam. 7:11, 13a, 16

1 Chron. 17:10

ETERNAL KINGDOM

2 Sam. 7:12c

1 Chron. 17:14

ETERNAL THRONE

2 Sam. 7:13b

1 Chron. 17:12b, 14

Psalm 89

- 1A. God's love and faithfulness are praised, Psa. 89:1–18.**
- 2A. God's promise to David is the foundation of the psalmist's petition, Psa. 89:19–37.**
- 3A. God is petitioned to remain faithful to His promises to David even though sin and divine discipline made it appear that the covenant was cancelled, Psa. 89:38–52.**

The Faith-Rest Drill

STEP ONE: Claim a promise; mix faith with a promise, principle, or rationale.

STEP TWO: Think through the doctrinal rationales embedded in the promise.

STEP THREE: Appropriate the doctrinal conclusions.

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Promise 1: God promised that His omnipotence would stabilize and strengthen David, Psa. 89:21

**Psa. 89:21, “With whom My hand shall be established;
Also My arm shall strengthen him.”**

Psalm 89:22, “My hand shall be constantly with him, and My arm shall strengthen him.” ~TNK

Psalm 89:21, “With whom My hand shall be established; Mine arm also shall strengthen him.” ~KJV

Psalm 89:21, “My hand will constantly stabilize him, and my arm will strengthen him.” ~RLD

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כּוּן *kun*

**nif imperf 3 fem sing
to be firm, establish,
prepared;
NIDOTTE lists be
stable, secure, be
lasting, durable**

אַמַּץ *amatz*

**piel imperf 3
fem sing
be stout,
strong, alert,
bold**

**Psa. 89:13, “You have a mighty arm;
Strong is Your hand, and high is Your
right hand.**

**Psa. 89:14, “Righteousness and justice are
the foundation of Your throne;
Mercy and truth go before Your face.”**

**Psa. 89:8, “O LORD God of hosts,
Who is mighty like You, O LORD?
Your faithfulness also surrounds You.”**

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Promise 2: God further explains this as protection from David's enemies, Psa. 89:22–23

Psa. 89:22, “The enemy shall not outwit him,

**Nor the son of wickedness afflict him.”
~NKJV**

Psalm 89:23, “No enemy shall oppress him, no vile man afflict him.” ~TNK

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2 Kings 19:35, “And it came to pass on a certain night that the angel of the LORD went out, and killed in the camp of the Assyrians one hundred and eighty-five thousand; and when people arose early in the morning, there were the corpses—all dead.

2 Kings 19:36, “So Sennacherib king of Assyria departed and went away, returned home, and remained at Nineveh.”

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Promise 3: God's basis for defending David is His faithfulness and loyal love, Psa. 89:24a

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and My mercy [*chesed*] shall be with him,
And in My name his horn shall be
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Promise 4: God's purpose is to demonstrate the utter necessity for His presence, power, Psa. 89:24b

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And in Your favor our horn is exalted.”**

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Promise 5: God promised to expand his territory and control over the sea and rivers, Psa. 89:25

**Psa. 89:25, “Also I will set his hand over
the sea,
And his right hand over the rivers.”**

2 Sam. 7:10, “Moreover I will appoint a place for My people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own and move no more; nor shall the sons of wickedness oppress them anymore, as previously,”

From the sea to the river Euphrates

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**2 Sam. 7:14a, “I will be his Father, and he
shall be My son.”**

Deut. 32:4, “He is the Rock, His work is perfect;

**For all His ways are justice,
A God of truth and without injustice;
Righteous and upright is He.”**

**Deut. 32:18, “Of the Rock who begot you,
you are unmindful,**

**And have forgotten the God who
fathered you.”**

Deut. 32:30, “How could one chase a thousand,

**And two put ten thousand to flight,
Unless their Rock had sold them,
And the LORD had surrendered them?**

Deut. 32:31, “For their rock is not like our Rock,

Even our enemies themselves being judges.”

Psa. 18:2, “The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer;

My God, my strength, in whom I will trust;

My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.”

Psa. 18:31, “For who is God, except the LORD?

And who is a rock, except our God?”

Psa. 18:46, “The LORD lives!

Blessed be my Rock!

Let the God of my salvation be exalted.”

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the most exalted of the earth’s kings.”**

**בְּכֹר *bekor* comm
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birthright, firstborn**

**Ex. 4:22, “Then you shall say to Pharaoh,
‘Thus says the LORD: “Israel is My son, My
firstborn.” ’ ”**

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**Psa. 89:28, “My mercy [*chesed*] I will keep
for him forever,**

**And My covenant shall stand firm with
him.**

**Psa. 89:29, “His seed also I will make to
endure forever,**

And his throne as the days of heaven.”

Psa. 89:1, “I will sing of the mercies of the LORD forever;

With my mouth will I make known Your faithfulness *to all generations*.

Psa. 89:2, “For I have said, ‘Mercy shall be built up forever;

Your faithfulness You shall establish in the very heavens.

Psa. 89:3, “ ‘I have made a covenant with My chosen,

I have sworn to My servant David:

Psa. 89:4, “ ‘Your seed I will establish forever,

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