

When God promises...

The Message of Chronicles

I. People Forget

- a. A focus on pain
- b. A reality that does not match the promises

II. God Reminds

- a. Names matter
- b. David replaces Saul
- c. Transporting of the Ark
- d. David's psalm
- e. The covenant with Solomon
- f. The kings of Israel exiled
- g. Catching up with Sabbaths
- h. Cyrus fulfills the word of the Lord

III. Hold on

- a. God's promises are always fulfilled. We don't always know when.
- b. Post-exilic Jews had to know God's promises made centuries before their time AND trust their fulfillment centuries later.
- c. History is important to believers, and especially Biblical history. Reading the OT correctly is very important.
- d. God made promises to us that have been fulfilled
- e. Some promises still remain unfulfilled
- f. We must be firm in our faith as the one who promised is faithful
- g. Life will bring surprises to believers: many things we might not like, so we need promises
- h. Now let's read the words of Jesus with understanding of His faithfulness.