



Giant Disappointments September 7-8, 2019

Hope is the peace and confidence

that a good and loving God is in charge of life and my life and no matter what happens, good or bad, He's got me and it's going to be OK.

Now when David was settled in his palace, he said to Nathan the prophet, "Here I am living in this beautiful cedar palace, but the Ark of the Lord's covenant is out in a tent!" Nathan replied to David, "Whatever you have in mind, do it, for God is with you." But that same night God said to Nathan, "Go and tell my servant David, 'This is what the Lord says: You are not the one to build me a temple to live in.'" 1 Chronicles 17:1-4

**There will be No's in my life.
God has a bigger perspective.**

It would wreck our lives.

**God has a greater purpose.
Romans 5:3-5**

Because God has a better plan.

David rose to his feet and said: "My brothers and my people! It was my desire to build a temple where the Ark of the LORD's Covenant, God's footstool, could rest permanently. I made the necessary preparations for building it, but God said to me, 'You must not build a temple to honor my name, for you are a warrior and have shed much blood.'" 1 Chronicles 28:2-3

How do I handle it?

Hope comes...

...when I am close to God

Then King David went in and sat before the Lord...

when I remember what God has done for me...

Then King David went in and sat before the Lord and prayed, "Who am I, O Lord God, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far? You speak as though I were someone very great, O Lord God! What more can I say about the way you have honored me? You know what I am really like. For my sake, O Lord, and according to your will, you have done all these great things and have made them known. 1 Chronicles 17

... when I give praise to God

"O Lord, there is no one like you—there is no other God. We have never even heard of another god like you! 1 Chronicles 17:16-20

...when I'm involved in God's plan.

David said, "My son Solomon is still young and inexperienced, and the Temple of the Lord must be a magnificent structure, famous and glorious throughout the world. So I will begin making preparations for it now." So David collected vast amounts of building materials before his death. Then David sent for his son Solomon and instructed him to build a Temple for the Lord, the God of Israel. 1 Chronicles 22:5-6

Hope comes when I build into others' lives.

"Now seek the Lord your God with all your heart. Build the sanctuary of the Lord God. And Solomon, my son, get to know the God of your ancestors. Worship and serve him with your whole heart and with a willing mind. For the Lord sees every heart and understands and knows every plan and thought. If you seek him, you will find him." 1 Chronicles 22:19, 28:9

For when David had served God's purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; and he was buried with his fathers... Acts 13:36

For your LifeGroup or Accountability Partner

What kind of disappointments happen in life? Does anyone want to share a (small or large) disappointment they've experienced?

Read 1 Chronicles 17:1-4. Why would this be a disappointment to David?

1 Chronicles 28:2-3 talks a little about why God didn't want David to build the temple. What is God saying, and why NOT David?

In the midst of disappointment, God gives promises. (1 Chronicles 17:5-14). What are they

Read Romans 5:1-5. What does it say about disappointment and hope?

Read David's response (1 Chronicles 17:16-27). What stands out to you and what insights into David's heart for God do you see?