

## 1 Chronicles 17:11-12

***And it shall be, when your days are fulfilled, when you must go to be with your fathers, that I will set up your seed after you, who will be of your sons; and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build Me a house, and I will establish his throne forever.***

I don't know about you, but there are times when I fall into sin and I think that God would never ever use me again after what I have done, and I sometimes even wonder if He could forgive me for what I have done. But we know that He does forgive us if we confess our sins to Him.

† **1 John 1:9** *If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

Notice it says, "***If we confess our sins***" not "If we make up excuses for our sins" just a side note.

But we do know that God does forgive us, even when we sin (for we all sin everyday) and that God will still use us, because it's not based upon our goodness, but rather His love, grace and mercy in our lives.

Think of King David, who God is speaking to in today's devotional verse. David was an imperfect, sinful man just like we are sinful imperfect people. Yet despite that, God blessed King David, and the son that he had. ***I will set up your seed after you, who will be of your sons; and I will establish his kingdom.***

King David was a murderer and an adulterer, yet the bible says this about King David:

† **Acts 13:22** *And when He had removed him, He raised up for them David as king, to whom also He gave testimony and said, 'I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart, who will do all My will.'*

So, what sin or sins have you committed that are greater than murder and adultery combined? Even if your sins were more than King David's, God would not love you any less than He loves King David. So don't sell yourself short and think that you are disqualified to serve because of your sins. That's a lie from the pit of hell, because if you are a child of God, and Jesus is your Lord and Savior, you are qualified to serve in any capacity.

Now that you know that, maybe you should do what King David did after God told him how He would bless King David and his son Solomon. Starting from verse 16 on, King David started to brag on and worship His God, which is our God to and what we should do.

† **1 Chronicles 17:16** *Then King David went in and sat before the LORD; and he said: "Who am I, O LORD God? And what is my house, that You have brought me this far?"*