Now it came to pass, as David sat in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, Lo, I dwell in an house of cedars, and the ark of the covenant of the LORD [remaineth] under curtains.

Then Nathan said unto David, Do all that [is] in thine heart; for God [is] with thee.

And it came to pass the same night, that the word of God came to Nathan, saying,

Go and tell David my servant, Thus saith the LORD, Thou shalt not build me an house to dwell in:

For I have not dwelt in an house since the day that I brought up Israel unto this day: but have gone from tent to tent, and from [one] tabernacle to [another].

Wheresoever I have walked with all Israel, spake I a word to any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people, saying, Why have ye not built me an house of cedars?

Now therefore thus shalt thou say unto my servant David, Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, of thee, saying, Thou [art] a good man, and hast done [well]: but [thou] shalt not go up with [thee] into the house of my sanctuary, or to set up the ark of the covenant.

And, behold, thy [son] Solomon [shall] reign over thee, after me, and shall execute my commandments, and my statutes, as thou dost. Now therefore, Jehoshaphat thy son [shall] reign in thy stead. Go in peace, my servant David: thy sons shall reign after thee. Then Nathan went to his house.
And since the time that I commanded judges [to be] over my people Israel. Moreover I will subdue all thine enemies. Furthermore I tell thee that the LORD will build thee an house.

He shall build me an house, and I will establish his throne for ever.

But I will settle him in mine house and in my kingdom for ever: and his throne shall be established for evermore.

According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.

And David the king came and sat before the LORD, and said, Who [am] I, O LORD God, and what [is] mine house, that thou hast brought me hither?

And [yet] this was a small thing in thine eyes, O God; for thou hast [also]
spoken of thy servant's house for a great while to come, and hast regarded me according to the estate of a man of high degree, O LORD God. 18 What can David [speak] more to thee for the honour of thy servant? for thou knowest thy servant.

19 O LORD, for thy servant's sake, and according to thine own heart, hast thou done all this greatness, in making known all [these] great things.

20 O LORD, [there is] none like thee, neither [is there any] God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

21 And what one nation in the earth [is] like thy people Israel, whom God went to redeem [to be] his own people, to make thee a name of greatness and terribleness, by driving out nations from before thy people, whom thou hast redeemed out of Egypt?

22 For thy people Israel didst thou make thine own people for ever; and thou, LORD, becauseth their God.

23 Therefore now, LORD, let the thing that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant and concerning his house be established for ever, and do as thou hast said.

24 Let it even be established, that thy name may be magnified for ever. Saying, The LORD of hosts [is] the God of Israel, [even] a God to Israel: and [let] the house of David thy servant [be] established before thee.

25 For thou, O my God, hast told thy servant that thou wilt build him an house: therefore thy servant hath found [in his heart] to pray before thee.

26 And now, LORD, thou art God, and hast promised this goodness unto thy
Now therefore let it please thee to bless the house of thy servant, that it may be before thee for ever: for thou blessest, O LORD, and [it shall be] blessed for ever.

1 Chronicles 17:27