

the truth I will give it you; and if you have a truth that I have not, I want all you have; but contention is not my calling; it is no part of the Gospel of Christ; that is peace, life, light, and salvation. The Lord has

given that to me and you, and you are welcome to it."

I wanted to say these few words to you. I thank you for your patience. God bless you. Amen.

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### THE BUILDING OF TEMPLES—THE KEYS OF THE APOSTLESHIP.

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I will read a portion of Scripture which is found in the 17th chapter of the First Book of Chronicles, commencing at the 3rd verse—

"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 until 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 of hosts, I took thee from the sheepcote, *even* from following the sheep, that thou shouldest be ruler over my people Israel:

"And I have been with thee whi-

thersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine enemies from before thee, and have made thee a name like the name of the great men that *are* in the earth.

"Also I will ordain a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, and they shall dwell in their place, and shall be moved no more; neither shall the children of wickedness waste them any more, as at the beginning,

"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.

"And it shall come to pass, when thy days be expired that thou must go *to be* with thy fathers, that I will raise up thy seed after thee, which shall be of thy sons; and I will stablish his kingdom.

"He shall build me an house, and I will stablish his throne forever.

"I will be his father, and he shall be my son: and I will not take my mercy away from him, as I took *it*