

Amazing Grace

2 Samuel 9

Bible Reading:~

- 1 David asked, "Is there anyone still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show kindness for Jonathan's sake?"
- 2 Now there was a servant of Saul's household named Ziba. They called him to appear before David, and the king said to him, "Are you Ziba?" "Your servant," he replied.
- 3 The king asked, "Is there no one still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show God's kindness?" Ziba answered the king, "There is still a son of Jonathan; he is crippled in both feet."

- 4 "Where is he?" the king asked. Ziba answered, "He is at the house of Makir son of Ammiel in Lo Debar."
- 5 So King David had him brought from Lo Debar, from the house of Makir son of Ammiel.
- 6 When Mephibosheth son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, came to David, he bowed down to pay him honor. David said, "Mephibosheth!" "Your servant," he replied.
- 7 "Don't be afraid," David said to him, "for I will surely show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan. I will restore to you all the land that belonged to your grandfather Saul, and you will always eat at my table."

- 8 Mephibosheth bowed down and said, "What is your servant, that you should notice a dead dog like me?"
- 9 Then the king summoned Ziba, Saul's servant, and said to him, "I have given your master's grandson everything that belonged to Saul and his family.
- 10 You and your sons and your servants are to farm the land for him and bring in the crops, so that your master's grandson may be provided for. And Mephibosheth, grandson of your master, will always eat at my table." (Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants.)

- 11 Then Ziba said to the king, "Your servant will do whatever my lord the king commands his servant to do." So Mephibosheth ate at David's table like one of the king's sons.
- 12 Mephibosheth had a young son named Mica, and all the members of Ziba's household were servants of Mephibosheth.
- 13 And Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem, because he always ate at the king's table, and he was crippled in both feet.

- David was in a covenant relationship with Jonathan 1 Sam 20: 15,16
- David asks is there anyone from the house of Saul to whom I can show kindness?
- Saul had attempted to kill David – now David wants to show his descendants kindness.

Mephibosheth

- Totally dependant upon Makir
- Living in LoDebar – meaning barrenness, lacking, no fruit in his life
- Fearful
- Crippled
- Broken

David did not need Mephibosheth – he had power, prestige, wealth, the blessing of God

Yet he gave to Mephibosheth:

- Everything that had previously belonged to Saul
- Servants to care for his land
- A place at his table
- Blessings for future generations

The grace of David reflects the grace of God who through Jesus:

- Seeks the lost, the fearful, the broken
- Invites them to a banquet table
- And blesses them

Not All Come Because ~

- They have never heard of God's grace
- They feel too unworthy
- They don't think they need God