

Walking with the Giants
Week Six

TODAY'S OUTLINE

- 1.) David & Mephibosheth
- 2.) Jesus & Us
- 3.) You & Outsiders

DAVID & MEPHIBOSHETH

2 Samuel 9:1-6 (ESV)

"1 And David said, 'Is there still anyone left of the house of Saul, that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?' 2 Now there was a servant of the house of Saul whose name was Ziba, and they called him to David. And the king said to him, 'Are you Ziba?' And he said, 'I am your servant.' 3 And the king said, 'Is there not still someone of the house of Saul, that I may show the kindness of God to him?' Ziba said to the king, 'There is still a son of Jonathan; he is crippled in his feet.' 4 The king said to him, 'Where is he?' And Ziba said to the king, 'He is in the house of Machir the son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar.' 5 Then King David sent and brought him from the house of Machir the son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar. 6 And Mephibosheth the son of Jonathan, son of Saul, came to David and fell on his face and paid homage."

2 Samuel 4:4 (ESV)

"4 Jonathan, the son of Saul, had a son who was crippled in his feet. He was five years old when the news about Saul and Jonathan came from Jezreel, and his nurse took him up and fled, and as she fled in her haste, he fell and became lame. And his name was Mephibosheth."

2 Samuel 9:3 (ESV)

*3 And the king said, 'Is there not still someone of the house of Saul, that I may show the **kindness of God** to him?'*

"Hesed" is almost always used in reference to overwhelming and unexpected love or grace shown to those in helpless situations and who often have no expectation of help.

2 Samuel 9:7-11 (ESV)

"7 And David said to him, 'Do not fear, for I will show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan, and I will restore to you all the land of Saul your father, and you shall eat at my table always.' 8 And he paid homage and said, 'What is your servant, that you should show regard for a dead dog such as I? 9 Then the king called Ziba, Saul's servant, and said to him, 'All that belonged to Saul and to all his house I have given to your master's grandson. 10 And you and

your sons and your servants shall till the land for him and shall bring in the produce, that your master's grandson may have bread to eat. But Mephibosheth your master's grandson shall always eat at my table." Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants. 11 Then Ziba said to the king, "According to all that my lord the king commands his servant, so will your servant do." So Mephibosheth ate at David's table, like one of the king's sons."

JESUS & US

"Jesus is the Davidic Messiah whose kindness, generosity, and reversal of shame to honor stand as the banner for His rule. At His table all come to enjoy the feast, whether Jew, Gentile, lame, poor, sinner, or outcast. He draws all to Himself." -J.D. Greear

YOU & OUTSIDERS

"We accept all because we have experienced the grace of God's forgiveness. We forgive because we have been extraordinarily forgiven by God. We love because he first loved us. We exercise kindness because we have experienced overwhelming kindness from God." -Andrew Reid

We should carry the heart of Jesus wherever we go every day, like David did, and invite others to do the table of God.