Cultivating A Heart For God (A Study of the Life of David)

“Keeping Promises and Extending Grace”

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Introduction:
A. What do you think of when I say the word “_________”?
B. Spiritually speaking, Grace means ________________.
C. We are saved by grace—we don’t ________ it, can’t ________ it, and can never ________ it, and we are not supposed to—grace is a ________.
D. In response to the grace we have received, it is God’s desire that we learn to be ___________ people.

I. The Story (2 Samuel 9)
A. David is experiencing a period of __________.
B. David remembered the ___________ he had made.
C. David asked a question: “Is there anyone still left in the house of Saul whom I can show ___________ for ___________ sake?”
D. David discovered from Ziba that there is still a ______ of Jonathan; he is ________ in both feet.
E. He is living in Lo Debar—Lo means “_____,” Debar means “____________.”
F. Mephibosheth had been crippled at age ______, when a nurse ________ him while trying to quickly escape.
G. David told Mephibosheth, “_____ not be __________.”
H. The outcome of David’s action is that Mephibosheth has secure ___________ of his own, is _________ like David’s own sons, and joins the ____________ of David.

II. The Application
A. The Bible’s greatest story of grace is the story of what ______ has done for us through ___________. (Jn. 3:16; Rom. 3:23-24)
B. His Story / Our Story—Like Mephibosheth...
1. We were all __________ by a ________.
2. We were ___________ by the ___________. (Lk. 19:10)
3. We have been ___________ in a far ___________.
4. We were ___________ for another’s ___________. (Eph. 1:5-6)
5. We can be ___________ to the King’s ___________. (Lk. 14:15)
C. Let’s be sure we don’t miss out on God’s grace ________ on us, and then once we have received it, let’s ________ it on others. (Eph. 1:7-8)