

June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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2 Samuel 9

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and God gave David \_\_\_\_\_.

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1. See your \_\_\_\_\_ as a resource.
2. Become \_\_\_\_\_ of the lonely. Luke 14:12-14
3. Tap into your \_\_\_\_\_ . 2Cor 1:3-4
4. \_\_\_\_\_ .

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Who could you reach out to that may be experiencing a lonely season?



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- People experience scarcity of relationships.

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2. Become aware of the lonely. Luke 14:12-14
3. Tap into your personal experiences. 2Cor 1:3-4
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