**2 Samuel 9** (https://www.esv.org/2+Samuel+9/)

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**David's Kindness to Mephibosheth**

9 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.” (See 2 Sam. 4:4.)

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.

 And

 David said,

 “Mephibosheth!”

 And

 he answered,

 “Behold,

 I am your servant.”

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.

12 And

 Mephibosheth had a young son,

 whose name was Mica.

 And

 all

 who lived in Ziba's house

 became Mephibosheth's servants.

13 So Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem,

 for he ate always at the king's table.

 Now

 he was lame in both his feet.