

Sermon Worksheet, 6/7/09

Passage: 2 Samuel 9:1-13

Theme: I am God's Temple, No.3

*Don't you know that
you yourselves are
God's temple and that
God's Spirit lives in
you? (1 Cor 3:16)*



Observations:

- 1) You will need again to get the context of this story. Who is Mephibosheth, and why did he become crippled? What happened to his father Jonathan, and his grandfather Saul? Read 1 Samuel 31—2 Samuel 2, and 4, if you have not. Try to guess, if you can, about how many years had past since Jonathan made a covenant with David.
- 2) Underline the word “**kindness (hesed).**” How many times does it occur in this passage? Whose “**kindness**” was it, and for whose sake did David desire to show it? How did this “**kindness**” actually come to be expressed and realized by David? In other words, list the things that were granted to Mephibosheth because of this “**kindness.**”
- 3) Do you see any analogy between the relationships David, Jonathan, and Mephibosheth had, and the relationships Father, Jesus and the disciples had as described in John's Gospel chapters 13 – 17 as well as the analogy between what David granted Mephibosheth and what God promised to give Jesus' followers? If you do, list them up.

Personal Applications:

- 1) What do you learn about “**kindness**” in this chapter? Define it and explain what it is in your words?
- 2) Explain the relationship you have come to have with your Father through Jesus. In the story in 1 Samuel, which one is you—David, Jonathan or Mephibosheth? Can you apply that to the relationship you now have through Jesus?
- 3) As a partner of this covenantal relationship with God, what kinds of things have you received so far? Be specific, and share from your experiences?

Prayers, and etc.

- 1) Thank God for the “**kindness**” God has shown you, and pray that you will show the same kind of “**kindness**” to others.
- 2) Pray for your group, and your family that they, including yourself, will love one another as Jesus commanded.
- 3) Continue to pray for “**everyone**” and “**all the saints**”—especially, for those who need to know God's “**kindness.**” Pray also for the recent newcomers and the people whom you are preaching the gospel to. Don't forget to act, too: write E-mails, cards, etc.