

The Gospel According to David: Mephibosheth – February 2023

The story of Mephibosheth is both mysterious and a forgotten chronicle in the Old Testament. We're told that once David was firmly established as King, he remembered a promise he made to his best friend, Jonathan. He searched and found the only surviving member of Jonathan's family, Mephibosheth. He was Jonathan's only surviving son, the grandson of his old enemy Saul. After David found Mephibosheth he restored him to the palace of the King. An incredible story of grace, shame, redemption, and covenantal love.

## Read 2 Samuel 4:4 & Chapter 9:1-13

- 1. Who is Mephibosheth and what family line is he from?
- 2. Why would that be a concern for David as a King?
- 3. How did David's oath to his friend Jonathan impact how he treated Mephibosheth?

- 4. Pastor Riddle mentioned: God's Grace finds us even when we're not looking. What does that mean to you?
- 5. Shame often defines how we see ourselves. Has this been a struggle for you? How so?
- 6. The verse: "Mephibosheth ate regularly at David's table, like one of the King's own sons."

Why is this so significant?

