

The King and the Cripple



Seven Steps, or the Kindness of God

Never Give
Up Hope



Fallen - Man's Literal Physical Condition

2 Samuel 4:4 KJV And Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son that was lame of his feet. He was five years old when the tidings came of Saul and Jonathan out of Jezreel, and his nurse took him up, and fled: and it came to pass, as she made haste to flee, that he fell, and became lame. And his name was Mephibosheth.



Fallen – Man's Spiritual Condition

Romans 5:12 KJV Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:



Fatherless – Jonathan Died When Mephibosheth was 5

1 Samuel 31:2 KJV And the Philistines followed hard upon Saul and upon his sons; and the Philistines slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchishua, Saul's sons.



God is the Father of the Fatherless

Psalms 68:5 KJV A father of the fatherless, and a judge of the widows, is God in his holy habitation.



Friendless – Because Mephibosheth Had No Family

2 Samuel 9:1–4 KJV And David said, Is there yet any that is left of the house of Saul, that I may shew him kindness for Jonathan's sake? (9:2) And there was of the house of Saul a servant whose name was Ziba. And when they had called him unto David, the king said unto him, Art thou Ziba? And he said, Thy servant is he...



Friendless – Because Mephibosheth Had No Family

2 Samuel 9:1–4 KJV ...(9:3) And the king said, Is there not yet any of the house of Saul, that I may shew the kindness of God unto him? And Ziba said unto the king, Jonathan hath yet a son, which is lame on his feet. (9:4) And the king said unto him, Where is he? And Ziba said unto the king, Behold, he is in the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, in Lodebar.



Famished – Lodebar

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Famished – Lodebar Where Does God Take Us From

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Fetches - King David Sent and Fetches Him

2 Samuel 9:5 KJV Then king David sent, and fetches him out of the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, from Lodebar.



Fetches - God Sent His Son to Fetch Man

John 3:16 KJV For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.



Favoured - "I will Shew Thee Kindness for Jonathan's Sake" Fed (For His Father's Sake)

2 Samuel 9:7-13 KJV And David said unto him, Fear not: for I will surely shew thee kindness for Jonathan thy father's sake, and will restore thee all the land of Saul thy father; and thou shalt eat bread at my table continually. (9:8) And he bowed himself, and said, What is thy servant, that thou shouldest look upon such a dead dog as I am?...



Fed (For His Father's Sake)

2 Samuel 9:7-13 KJV ...(9:9) Then the king called to Ziba, Saul's servant, and said unto him, I have given unto thy master's son all that pertained to Saul and to all his house. (9:10) Thou therefore, and thy sons, and thy servants, shall till the land for him, and thou shalt bring in the fruits,...



Fed (For His Father's Sake)

2 Samuel 9:7–13 KJV...(9:10)... that thy master's son may have food to eat: but Mephibosheth thy master's son shall eat bread alway at my table. Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants...



Fed (For His Father's Sake)

2 Samuel 9:7–13 KJV ...(9:11) Then said Ziba unto the king, According to all that my lord the king hath commanded his servant, so shall thy servant do. As for Mephibosheth, said the king, he shall eat at my table, as one of the king's sons.



Fed (For His Father's Sake)

2 Samuel 9:7-13 KJV ...(9:12) And Mephibosheth had a young son, whose name was Micha. And all that dwelt in the house of Ziba were servants unto Mephibosheth. (9:13) So Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem: for he did eat continually at the king's table; and was lame on both his feet.



Fed (For His Father's Sake) Best of the Best

John 21:12 KJV Jesus saith unto them, Come and dine. And none of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? knowing that it was the Lord.



Fed (For His Father's Sake) God Has Invited His Children "Come and Dine!!!"

Revelation 19:9 KJV And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.



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