

A DEMONSTRATION OF GOD’S KINDNESS
David’s Provision for Jonathan’s Son

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2 Samuel 9

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Outline: Life of David

I.	David’s Rise and King Saul’s Demise	1 Sam16 – 2 Sam 1
II.	David’s Ascension to King	2 Sam 2-5
IV.	David’s Triumphal Reign	2 Sam 6-8
V.	<u>David’s Troubled Reign</u>	2 Sam 9-20
VI.	Epilogue	2 Sam 21 – 1 Kings 2

Theme: Covenant keeping and steadfast love are attributes demonstrated by King David that give a human illustration of these attributes of our Lord.

Theme Verse: 2 Samuel 9:3 The king said, “Is there not yet anyone of the house of Saul to whom I may show the kindness of God?”

- I. Covenant Commitment 9:1-5**
- 1. David desired to keep the covenant he made with Jonathan.**
 - 2. David ordered his servants to search for anyone left of the house of Saul**
 - 3. David interviewed Saul’s servant and discovered Jonathan had a son who was crippled**
- II. Covenant Beneficiary 9:6-8**
- 1. Mephibosheth prostrated himself before King David in fear.**
 - 2. Mephibosheth did nothing to earn David’s steadfast love, but was the beneficiary of a covenant keeping king**
 - a. Awarded him all the land previously owned by his grandfather, Saul**
 - b. Elevated him to the status of a son who would eat at the King’s table**
 - 3. Mephibosheth prostrated himself before King David in thankfulness**

III. Covenant Blessing

9:9-13

1. David informed Ziba of his provision for Mephibosheth to include Ziba's service.
2. Ziba pledged to accomplish all that the king commanded of him and his family
3. Mephibosheth went from life as an isolated outcast to life as the king's son

IV. Application

1. Like David, we are to be committed to keeping the covenants we make.

Ephesians 5:33 Psalm 37:21 Romans 12:1

2. Like David, we are to demonstrate kindness to those who are unable to help themselves

Proverbs 19:17 Acts 20:35 Galatians 2:9-10 Colossians 3:12

3. Like Mephibosheth, we are helpless and without ability to save ourselves.

Romans 5:6 Romans 5:8

4. Like Mephibosheth, we are the undeserving beneficiaries of a covenant.

Jeremiah 31:33-34 Romans 8:14-17

MacArthur Systematic Theology: The new covenant is an unconditional and eternal covenant whereby God enables and empowers His people to serve Him willingly and to remain in His blessing. A new heart, the indwelling holy spirit, and forgiveness of sins are the spiritual blessings at the center of this covenant.

Ephesians 5:1-2 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children; 2 and walk in love, just as Christ also loved you and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God as a fragrant aroma.