
2 Sam. 11:5 The woman conceived and sent word to David, saying, I am pregnant."

— **Conspiracy to commit murder, then a cover-up.** —

2 Samuel 11:23 The messenger said to David, The men overpowered us and came out against us in the open, but we drove them back to the entrance to the city gate.²⁴ Then the archers shot arrows at your servants from the wall, and some of the king's men died. Moreover, your servant Uriah the Hittite is dead."

²⁵ David told the messenger, Say this to Joab: 'Don't let this upset you; the sword devours one as well as another. Press the attack against the city and destroy it.' Say this to encourage Joab."

— **David finally hits bottom.** —

2 Samuel 11:26 When Uriah's wife heard that her husband was dead, she mourned for him.

²⁷ After the time of mourning was over, David had her brought to his house, and she became his wife and bore him a son.

But the thing David had done displeased the LORD.

The Heights and the Depths

Mephibosheth and Bathsheba

Life of David—part 8

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— Mephibosheth, the story of undeserved kindness —

2 Sam. 9:1 (David) Is there anyone still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show kindness for Jonathan's sake?"

³ The king asked, Is there no one still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show God's kindness?"

⁴ Where is he?"the king asked. Ziba answered, He is at the house of Makir son of Ammiel in Lo Debar."⁵ So King David had him brought from Lo Debar...

David takes the _____ to find a son of Saul to bless.

Luke 19:10 The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

— David sought to _____ someone undeserving. —

Titus 3:5 "... not because of deeds done by us..."

The motive for David? "For _____ sake!"

Eph. 4:32 (RSV) be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

The _____ of his desire?

"... That I may show the kindness of God to him?"

Titus 3:4 ...when the kindness of God appeared He saved us

The _____ of the beloved?

“He is ... in Lo Debar.”

John 6:35 (Jesus) I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, ...”

■ **Undeserved kindness; the wonder of grace**

2 Samuel 9:7 “Don't be afraid ...for I will surely show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan. I will restore to you all the land that belonged to your grandfather Saul, and you will always eat at my table.”

¹³ And Mephibosheth lived in Jerusalem, because he always ate at the king's table, and he was crippled in both feet.

Mephibosheth was allowed to _____.

Romans 6:23 For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

■ Mephibosheth was encouraged to be at _____!

Romans 5:1 (RSV) Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Mephibosheth was given his _____!

Matt. 25:34 “Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you...”

Mephibosheth was given generous _____.

Luke 15:23 (RSV) ... and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry;

Mephibosheth was given a position of _____!

1 John 3:1 How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!

David and Bathsheba, the story of incredible folly

■ *2 Samuel 11:2 One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the palace. From the roof he saw a woman bathing.* ■

The woman was very beautiful,

■ *³ and David sent someone to find out about her. The man said, Isn't this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite?"* ■

⁴ Then David sent messengers to get her.

■ *She came to him,* ■

...and he slept with her Then she went back home.

■ *Hebrews 11:25 (RSV) ... choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin.* ■
