## 

#### Dr. John Tolson



## If you ever encounter GRACE for real, you will never be the same again.

## 2 Samuel 9 1. A History Given

#### 2 Samuel 9 I. A History Given 2. A Question Asked (2 Sam 9:1-4)

#### 2 Samuel 9:1-4

David asked, "Is there anyone still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show kindness for Jonathan's sake?" Now there was a servant of Saul's household named Ziba. They summoned him to appear before David, and the king said to him, "Are you Ziba?" "At your service," he replied. The king asked, "Is there no one still alive from the house of Saul to whom I can show God's kindness?" Ziba answered the king, "There is still a son of Jonathan; he is lame in both feet." "Where is he?" the king asked. Ziba answered, "He is at the house of Makir son of Ammiel in Lo Debar."

#### 2 Samuel 9 <u>I. A History Given</u> 2. A Question Asked (2 Sam 9:1-4) A. Kindness (v.l)

#### 2 Samuel 9 I. A History Given 2. A Question Asked (2 Sam 9:1-4) A. Kindness (v.l)

David asked, "Is there anyone still left of the house of Saul to whom I can show kindness for Jonathan's sake?"

GRACE is positive acceptance in spite of the other person. It is a demonstration of love that is not deserved and can never be repaid.

2 Samuel 9 I. A History Given 2. A Question Asked (2 Sam 9:1-4) A. Kindness (v.l) B. A Candidate for Grace? l Sam. 20:13-17

2 Samuel 9 I. A History Given 2. A Question Asked (2 Sam 9:1-4) A. Kindness (v.l) B. A Candidate for Grace? l Sam. 20:13-17 C. The Report (v.2-4)

#### 2 Samuel 9:2-4

Now there was a servant of Saul's household named Ziba. They summoned him to appear before David, and the king said to him, "Are you Ziba?" "At your service," he replied. The king asked, "Is there no one still alive from the house of Saul to whom I can show God's kindness?" Ziba answered the king, "There is still a son of Jonathan; he is lame in both feet." "Where is he?" the king asked. Ziba answered, "He is at the house of Makir son of Ammiel in Lo Debar."

GRACE is God giving Himself in full acceptance to someone who does not deserve it and can never earn it and will never be able to repay.



#### "Lo" in Hebrew means "No" "Debar" in Hebrew means "Pasture"

### The cripple is in a "barren place"... a place of "desolation"

### 2 Samuel 4:4

Jonathan son of Saul had a son who was lame in both feet. He was five years old when the news about Saul and Jonathan came from Jezreel. His nurse picked him up and fled, but as she hurried to leave, he fell and became disabled. His name was Mephibosheth.

### 2 Samuel 9 3. A Plan of Action (v. 5-7)

So King David had him brought from Lo Debar, from the house of Makir son of Ammiel. When Mephibosheth son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, came to David, he bowed down to pay him honor. David said, "Mephibosheth!" "At your service," he replied. "Don't be afraid," David said to him, "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."

#### 2 Samuel 9 3. A Plan of Action (v. 5-7) A. The Cripple is Sought (v. 5) So King David had him brought from Lo Debar, from the house of Makir son of Ammiel.

#### 2 Samuel 9 3. A Plan of Action (v. 5-7) B. Mephibosheth appears before the King (v. 6)

When Mephibosheth son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, came to David, he bowed down to pay him honor. David said, "Mephibosheth!" "At your service," he replied.

## 2 Samuel 9 3. A Plan of Action (v. 5-7) C. The King's response (v. 7)

"Don't be afraid," David said to him, "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."

David's WORK with 



## David had a YES face.

## People who have experienced - CRACE have a VES face.



#### 2 Samuel 9 4. A Privilege Provided (v. 7-13)

#### 2 Samuel 9 4. A Privilege Provided (v. 7-13) A. The Privilege (v. 7)

#### 2 Samuel 9 4. A Privilege Provided (v. 7-13) A. The Privilege (v. 7)

"Don't be afraid," David said to him, "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."

#### 2 Samuel 9 4. A Privilege Provided (v. 7-13) A. The Privilege (v. 7) B. Mephibosheth Responds (v. 8)

# 2 Samuel 9

4. A Privilege Provided (v. 7-13) A. The Privilege (v. 7) B. Mephibosheth Responds (v. 8) Mephibosheth bowed down and said, "What is your servant, that you should notice a dead dog like me?"

2 Samuel 9 4. A Privilege Provided (v. 7-13) A. The Privilege (v. 7) B. Mephibosheth Responds (v. 8) C. David Doesn't Respond (v. 9-13)

#### 2 Samuel 9 5. The Analogies Drawn

#### I John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.



## The Lord covers your feet with His tablecloth.

## He chose you because he wanted to.