Title: Restored Birthright

Text: 2 Sam 9:1-13

Here is a striking picture of salvation by grace.

(1) <u>Grace is kindness to a helpless one</u> (2 Sam 9:1–3) <u>Why Jonathan</u>? (1 Sam 18:1-3)(Prov 18:24)(2 Sam 1:26-27) Covenant Relationship in the Lord: (1 Sam 20:8, 13-17, 42)

Jonathan had a son named Mephibosheth: (2 Sam 9:3) Mephibosheth is a good picture of all of us: (Eph 2:1-7) Mephibosheth was living below his Birthright: (Vs 4)

The King made the first Move! (2 Sam 9:5) Our God came looking for us! (Lk 19:10) (Jn 6:44) Salvation is of the Lord. (Rom 3:10-12)

The King was Motivated by love for the Father: (Vs 1) Love is a choice: (Deut 7:7-8) Love is a Gift: (Eph 2:8-9)

Our God Chose to Love us: (Rom 5:6-8) (1 Jn 4:10,19) We are Forgive for God's Sake: (Eph 4:32) We are accepted in the Beloved: (Eph 1:6) Christ in kindness Saves Us: (2 Sam 9:3)(Eph 2:7)(Tit 3:4-7)

Mephibosheth Humbled with Gratitude: (2 Sam 9:6, 8) (Rom 5:8)(Lk 18:13) "be merciful"

(2) Gives a place of privilege to Him: (2 Sam 9:7, 9-10) (2 Sam 9:11) "As one of the king's sons"

God take us into His Family!! (Jn 1:12) (Eph 1:5-6) Spirit of Adoption: (Rom 8:14-17) We now are part of the Family! (Gal 3:26; 1 Jn3:1-3)

King David Spoke Peace to Mephibosheth: (2 Sam 9:7)

(3) <u>Sustains and keeps him</u>: (2 Sam 9:10) (2 Sam 9:13b) Continually; (John 10:28 - 29) (1 Pet 1:3-5) Kept by the power of God. (Phil 4:19)

(4) <u>Gave him a new home</u> (2 Sam 9:13a) (Jn 14:1-3)

(5) **Ziba is a type of Satan**: (2 Sam 9:9-11)

A. Fortune: (Mal 3:8-11)B. Fitness: (Rom 6:12-13)

C. Family: (Prov 18:22) (Ps 127:3)

D. Future: (James 4:13-15)

Mephibosheth felt like a worthless dog. (2 Sam 9:8) Many people are not living in your inheritance! (Is 59:2)

Become a Child of God: (Jn 1:12)

<u>Live in your Inheritance</u>: (Eph 1:11,18) (1 Pet 1:4) Joint Heirs with the Son of God: (Rom 8:17)

WE all have an area of Weakness: (2 Sam 9:3) Is it an issue of SIN? Confess IT as SIN! (1 John 1:9) Is it an Addiction? (Gal 5:16)

STOP Living below the level the King has called you to: (Rev 5:9-10) Kings and Priests-Rule and Reign

(Eph 2:19) We are not 2nd class citizens!

(6) Mercy & Restoration:

(2 Chron 6:42) (Is 55:3) (Acts 13:34)

Answered Prayer is the believer Birthright: (Jn 14:13)
Sonship is the Birthright of every believer: (Rom 8:17)
Holy Spirit Power is the Believer's Birthright: (Gal 4:6)
Victorious Faith is the Birthright of every believer. (1 Jn 5:4)