

A Person After God's Own Heart

**9) Do You Have the Religion of a
Servant or the Relationship of a Son?**

'Now David said, "Is there still anyone who is left of the house of Saul, that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?"'

(2 Sam.9:1)

*'...being justified freely by His grace
through the redemption that is in
Christ Jesus'
(Rom.3:24)*

***'But this happened that the word might
be fulfilled which is written in their law,
"They hated Me without a cause"'***

(John 15:25)

'For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another. But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior'

(Titus 3:3-6)

'Then the king said, "Is there not still someone of the house of Saul, to whom I may show the kindness of God?" And Ziba said to the king, "There is still a son of Jonathan who is lame in his feet"'

(2 Sam.9:3)

'Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son who was lame in his feet. He was five years old when the news about Saul and Jonathan came from Jezreel; and his nurse took him up and fled. And it happened, as she made haste to flee, that he fell and became lame. His name was Mephibosheth'

(2 Sam.4:4)

'Then David sent and brought him...'
(2 Sam.9:5)

***'No one can come to Me unless the
Father who sent Me draws him'***
(Jn.6:44)

***'Go out quickly into the streets and
lanes of the city, and bring in here the
poor and the maimed and the lame and
the blind'***

(Lk.14:21)

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***'...the sheep hear his voice; and he calls
his own sheep by name and leads them
out'***

(Jn.10:3)

'So David said to him, "Do not fear, for I will surely show you kindness for Jonathan your father's sake, and will restore to you all the land of Saul your grandfather; and you shall eat bread at my table continually"

(2 Sam.9:7)

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(2 Sam.9:7)

'He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?'

(Romans 8:32)

***'But seek first the kingdom of God and
His righteousness, and all these things
shall be added to you'***

(Matt.6:33)

'Then he bowed himself, and said, "What is your servant, that you should look upon such a dead dog as I?"'

(2 Sam.9:8)

'And the king called to Ziba, Saul's servant, and said to him, "I have given to your master's son all that belonged to Saul and to all his house...'

(2 Sam.9:9)

'And there was a servant of the house of Saul whose name was Ziba. So when they had called him to David, the king said to him, "Are you Ziba?" He said, "At your service!"'

(2 Sam.9:2)

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'You therefore, and your sons and your servants, shall work the land for him, and you shall bring in the harvest, that your master's son may have food to eat. But Mephibosheth your master's son shall eat bread at my table always.'" Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants'

(2 Sam.9:10)

'Then Ziba said to the king, "According to all that my lord the king has commanded his servant, so will your servant do." "As for Mephibosheth," said the king, "he shall eat at my table like one of the king's sons"'

(2 Sam.9:11)

'When David was a little past the top of the mountain, there was Ziba the servant of Mephibosheth, who met him with a couple of saddled donkeys, and on them two hundred loaves of bread, one hundred clusters of raisins, one hundred summer fruits, and a skin of wine'

(2 Sam.16:1)

'And the king said to Ziba, "What do you mean to do with these?" So Ziba said, "The donkeys are for the king's household to ride on, the bread and summer fruit for the young men to eat, and the wine for those who are faint in the wilderness to drink'

(2 Sam.16:2)

'Then the king said, "And where is your master's son?" And Ziba said to the king, "Indeed he is staying in Jerusalem, for he said, 'Today the house of Israel will restore the kingdom of my father to me''''

(2 Sam.16:3)

'So the king said to Ziba, "Here, all that belongs to Mephibosheth is yours." And Ziba said, "I humbly bow before you, that I may find favor in your sight, my lord, O king!"'

(2 Sam.16:4)

'...had neither dressed his feet, nor trimmed his beard, nor washed his clothes, from the day the king departed, until the day he came again in peace. So it was, when he had come to Jerusalem to meet the king, that the king said to him, "Why did you not go with me, Mephibosheth?" '

(2 Sam.19:24-25)

'And he answered, "My lord, O king, my servant deceived me. For your servant said, 'I will saddle a donkey for myself, that I may ride on it and go to the king,' because your servant is lame. And he has slandered your servant to my lord the king, but my lord the king is like the angel of God. Therefore do what is good in your eyes'"

(2 Sam.19:26-27)

'For all my father's house were but dead men before my lord the king. Yet you set your servant among those who eat at your own table. Therefore what right have I still to cry out anymore to the king?' So the king said to him, "Why do you speak anymore of your matters? I have said, 'You and Ziba divide the land'""

(2 Sam.19:28-29)

***'Then Mephibosheth said to the king,
"Rather, let him take it all, inasmuch
as my lord the king has come back in
peace to his own house"'***
(2 Sam.19:30)

'And Jesus said to them, "Can the friends of the bridegroom mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them? But the days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast"'
(Matt.9:15)