"Broken but Loved"

2 Samuel 19:24-30

SERMON NOTES

Do we know how much we are all cherished and loved by God?

Can God's love really look past our faults and failures

and even let us serve him?

Examples from scripture proving that he can.

The Apostle Peter, the denier.
The Apostle Thomas, the doubter.
Mary Magdalene, the demon possessed lunatic.
The Apostle Matthew, the traitor.
The Apostle Simon, the zealot who showed no mercy.

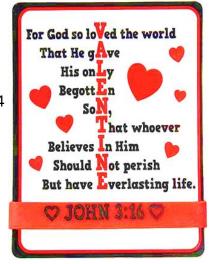
Today they are known as followers of Jesus who transformed the world.

Mephibosheth was broken and messed up. King David loved him anyway. We are broken and messed up. God loves us anyway.

John 1:12 But to all who did receive him, <u>who believed in his name</u>, he gave the right to become children of God.

When we surrender our lives to Jesus and choose to follow him, we are...

- Co-heirs of God's riches with Christ Romans 8:17
- Children of the King John 1:12
- Adopted into his family
 - Ephesians 1:5
- Healed of our brokenness
 - Matthew 11:28
- Free from oppression Isaiah 54:14
- · Blameless before God
 - Ephesians 1:4
- Empowered to do good works
 - Ephesians 2:10
- A Royal Priest 1 Peter 2:9
- · God's Ambassador
 - 2 Corinthians 5:20



2 Samuel 9:6-7, 13

⁶His name was Mephibosheth; he was Jonathan's son and Saul's grandson. When he came to David, he bowed low to the ground in deep respect. David said, "Greetings, Mephibosheth." Mephibosheth replied, "I am your servant."

⁷"Don't be afraid!" David said. "I intend to show kindness to you because of my promise to your father, Jonathan. I will give you all the property that once belonged to your grandfather Saul, and you will eat here with me at the king's table!"

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

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²⁴Now Mephibosheth, Saul's grandson, came down from Jerusalem to meet the king. He had not cared for his feet, trimmed his beard, or washed his clothes since the day the king left Jerusalem. ²⁵"Why didn't you come with me, Mephibosheth?" the king asked him.

²⁶Mephibosheth replied, "My lord the king, my servant Ziba deceived me. I told him, 'Saddle my donkey so I can go with the king.' For as you know I am crippled. ²⁷Ziba has slandered me by saying that I refused to come. But I know that my lord the king is like an angel of God, so do what you think is best. ²⁸All my relatives and I could expect only death from you, my lord, but instead you have honored me by allowing me to eat at your own table! What more can I ask?"

²⁹"You've said enough," David replied. "I've decided that you and Ziba will divide your land equally between you."

³⁰"Give him all of it," Mephibosheth said. "I am content just to have you safely back again, my lord the king!"