

David: Man of His Word (2 Samuel 9)

vv. 1-3 – David seeks to fulfill covenant to _____ (1 Sam. 20:13-17)

- Ziba – a well-to-do servant of the house of _____
- Ziba informs David of Mephibosheth who is _____ (2 Sam. 4:4)

vv. 4-5 – David sends for Mephibosheth in _____

vv. 6-8 – Mephibosheth _____ before David. David’s decree:

- David’s _____ for the sake of Jonathan
- _____ estate now to Mephibosheth
- Mephibosheth to _____ at the king’s _____

vv. 9-13 – David commands _____ to execute his decree

- Ziba’s sons and servants to _____ the land now under Mephibosheth
- Mephibosheth with his _____ (12)

Take-Away *David keeping his covenant with Jonathan was:*

1. Not affected by _____
2. Not altered by the _____ of the other party
3. Not affected by changing _____
4. Not altered because of the potential _____

How do I become a _____ of my word?

1. Reflect on _____ faithfulness to keep His word
2. Keep the “_____” promises I make to others (Lk. 16:10)
3. Watch my _____ (Prov. 29:20)
4. Set up my own _____
 - _____ it down
 - _____ – ask God for help to become more like _____ (Rom. 8:29)
 - Realize I am accountable to God for my _____ (Mat. 12:36)
 - Make myself accountable to _____
 - Take initiative to _____ and ask forgiveness

A picture of the _____ and gospel of God

Mephibosheth ⇔ _____

David ⇔ Lord God

Discussion Questions – 2 Samuel 9

1. Some Bible commentators believe that David had a *secondary* motive in his action toward Mephibosheth – one that is not so noble. Discuss what you think it could be – as well as the validity of such a claim.

2. Have you made any *covenants* with anyone?

Should we make a distinction between a *covenant* and a *promise* that we make to another?

3. Explain the four “nots” that did not keep David from fulfilling his covenant to Jonathan.

Any of these a particular challenge for you in keeping covenants / promises with others? Are there any that you would add to this list ?

4. What is *one thing* you definitely want to take away with you from today’s message?

How do you plan to *follow through* on that *one thing*?