

2 Samuel 9:1-13

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- Hased = mercy, loving-kindness, steadfast/covenantal/faithful/loyal/unfailing love
- Used 248 times in the Old Testament
- Ex 34:6-7 God declaring He is hesed.

2 Sam 9:1-6a

- 2 Sam 4:4 // after Saul's death, Mephibosheth's nurse drops him in haste in an attempt to save his life, causing him to be crippled in both feet, unable to walk.

2 Sam 7:6b-8

- 2 Samuel 19:28 // Mephibosheth states, "All my relatives and I could expect only death from you . . ."
- It was a common cultural practice for the incoming king to kill off all the offspring of the previous king. That way they literally kill off all claims and competition to the throne.
- 1 Sam 20:14-15 // Jonathan asks David, whom he sees is going to be the next king, and asks David to have "hesed" on him, and if he dies, on his family.
- Hased is NOT kindness because of a covenant. The covenant springs from a hesed loyal-love.

You Can Only Give What You Have Received

- 1 John 14:16
- 1 John 14:19-21

2 Sam 9:9-13

You Can Only Give What We Have Received

David models hesed—God's loyal love in two important ways:

1. It is a model for us to live. What if we started the day, came to church, went to work...asking, "God, who can I show loving-kindness to today?"

If it is hard for you to love the marginalized, the broken, and those not like you . . . it is probably because you have distanced yourself from the amazing grace and loyal love that your Father so freely gives you.

2. It is a love for us to receive. If you have not received God's loving-kindness, his loyal-love, his mercy, grace, and forgiveness—He offers this to you today through faith in the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus.