The King and a Cripple

Phil Robertson · 2 Samuel 9:1–13

INTRODUCTION

- Grow in the grace and the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
- Can grace be something that actually can multiply and increase like knowledge? Well, I believe it can.
- You're not going to find the word grace ever mentioned in the story.

1 A Story of Grace

2 Samuel 9:1–13; Ephesians 2:1–3

- Is there still anyone left in the house of Saul that I may show him kindness for Jonathan's sake?
- Have you ever sized somebody up by their failures? Or by their inadequacies, or their weaknesses.
- What is your servant that you should show regard for a dead dog, such as I?
- The exile is now a son. The recluse is now redeemed. The forgotten is forgiven.

2 The Story Is About a King

James 4:6; Proverbs 3:34; Psalm 103:2–4

- He accepts the humble regardless of their shame.
- Surely he scorns the scornful, but he gives grace to the humble.
- What you see in David is the heart of our heavenly Father.
- He restores honor and privilege to the fallen.

3 Grace Reminds All of Us That We're Lame

Genesis 6:8; Ephesians 2:8; James 1:21

- I grow in grace when first and foremost I recognize grace reminds all of us that we're lame.
- Every single one of us need the grace of God. Every single one of us are saved by grace.
- Noah found grace in the eyes of God.
- You can't share the gospel without talking about grace. Or mercy. Or love. Because every single one of us need it.

4 Grace Can Be Multiplied

- Grace also can be multiplied.
- Why are we hoarding grace all to ourselves? And why are we not sharing it with our neighbors?
- It's not going to limit your grace the more you give it away. It multiplies.
- But what I'm saying is, you better put grace before it all. Because even the plan itself was given by grace.

5 Grace Is More Than Just Salvation

- Have you ever realized just how dependent we are on God for every breath we take?
- Oh, grace goes far beyond just salvation. In fact, our entire existence, every single day. It's by grace.

6 Being Loved and Invited to the Table With God

Luke 22:29–30

- You know what grace is? It's being loved and invited to the table with God.
- Three times in the story, David makes it very clear, Mephibosheth will eat at my table.
- Behold, I bestow upon you a kingdom. Just as my Father bestowed upon me that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom.
- Not the kids' table, not the guest table. Not table 100 in the back. You sit with me. Because you're my child.

THE CHALLENGE

If you need to come to the Lord, he's waiting for you. Regardless of your shame, regardless of your weakness, regardless of how lame you may think you may be, he's here to make you whole.

MY NOTES