

SERMON OUTLINE

THE KING'S TABLE

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2 SAMUEL 9

The Story of Mephibosheth

The King's table is _____.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS & GROUPS

ICEBREAKER: If you could have dinner with any historical figure, who would it be? What would you ask them about? (And no, you don't have to say, "Jesus.")

1. Read 2 Samuel 9 out loud. Give everyone in the group 2-3 minutes to jot down their observations.
2. Go around the group and have each person share at least one of their observations and discuss it.
3. According to the sermon, what is the significance of the Hebrew word (*hesed*) that is translated as "kindness" in verse 1, 3, and 7? How is it different from ordinary kindness or charity?
4. List all the ways that Mephibosheth's position before David mirrors our position before God.
5. List all the ways that David's treatment of Mephibosheth mirrors Jesus' treatment of us.
6. The King's table is inclusive. What are some things that prevent our church community from being inclusive to everyone God wants at his table?
7. What are some practical ways you can help our church include and honor people with disabilities and special needs?
8. The sermon says we should approach Communion asking "How did I get here?" Why is this the right question to ask?
9. The sermon describes Communion as remembering a past sacrifice, renewing a present commitment, and previewing a future celebration. Which of these three aspects do you tend to focus on most, and which do you overlook? How would it change your experience if you focused on the other aspects of Communion?
10. Based on this sermon, what is one specific way you will approach Communion differently the next time you participate?

PRAYER: Go to the Prayer Wall at ccclife.org/prayer and pray for some of the people there. Don't forget to mark, "I prayed for this," so they see that someone has prayed for them.