



AGAINST ALL ODDS

THE
WORD

SESSION SNAPSHOT

GOOD WILL HUNTING

NARRATIVE PASSAGE:

2 Samuel 9:1-13

GOSPEL FOCUS:

1 Peter 4:10

TAKEAWAYS:

- Receive grace from God
- Extend grace to others

LAST WEEK'S READING:

- 2 Samuel 1; 2:1-7
- 2 Samuel 3:1; 5; Psalm 23
- 2 Samuel 6-7
- Psalm 18; 2 Samuel 9
- 2 Samuel 11-12

STUDY THE WORD

When have you dreaded something coming up?

How did it make you feel to wait for it to get closer? What could you do to prepare for it?

What is so remarkable about David's attitude in these verses?

Have you ever known someone who went out of their way to find someone to show kindness to? Has anyone ever done this to you?

How do you think receiving this kind of kindness would make someone feel about God?

Why did David say that he showed Mephibosheth kindness?

Do you think Mephibosheth deserved the kindness? Why or why not?

Generally speaking, what do you think makes someone "deserving" of kindness?

How do you see a picture of the grace and kindness of God in these verses?

What does God's grace look like?

How did Mephibosheth respond to David's grace?

How did the grace David showed Mephibosheth spill over to the rest of the people who also lived with and around him?

Briefly explain how God has shown you grace.

How can we express our gratitude for the grace God has shown us?

Has anyone ever shown you "the kindness of God" the way David showed it to Mephibosheth?

APPLY THE WORD

Once we see how God has shown us grace, or given us a gift that we certainly don't deserve, it is only natural to let that spill over to the people around us. It changes our demeanor. It re-aligns our priorities. A life lived in the freedom of Christ will be readily apparent to anybody looking on, and will be a life marked by joy and generosity--especially generosity when it comes to kindness.

Who is someone I can go out of my way to show "the kindness of God" to this week?

How can I pattern my life to show this kind of kindness more regularly?

PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK

Next Week's Reading:

- ***Psalm 51***
- ***2 Samuel 24; Psalm 24***
- ***Psalm 1; 19***
- ***Psalm 103; 119:1-48***
- ***Psalm 119:49-128***