

GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

## October 8, 2023 2 Samuel 9:1-13 "Gospel Hospitality"

## QUESTIONS

(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)

- 1. Last week we finished our series through Song of Songs. What was your biggest takeaway from studying this book? How was your understanding of marriage, intimacy, and God impacted?
- 2. Though a different book, this week's text continues to give us a picture of God's love. Before we dig into that, in what ways do you strive to demonstrate kindness to others?
  - a. How is this "kindness" different from the love that we receive from God?
- 3. King David's extension of kindness to Mephibosheth was the exact opposite of what everyone around them expected. When have you been presented with an opportunity to extend kindness to someone who didn't deserve it?
  - a. What did that look like and how did people around you respond?
- 4. Adam referenced Romans 5:6-10 to illustrate the connection between David's love for Mephibosheth and Christ's love for us. Read this verse together as a group. In what ways does Christ protect us?
  - a. What else do these verses tell followers of Christ they get through his death?
- 5. In verse 6, David grants Mephibosheth the fortunes of his ancestors, resulting in a huge shift from his previous season and status. How does this story point to what happens when someone receives Christ?
  - a. How does this message/reality help you to minister to those in your communities, especially those who are different from you (socio-economically, spiritually, generationally, ethnically, etc.)?
- 6. As Adam closed his sermon, he made a direct tie between God's steadfast love and hospitality. He stated that "Hospitality is Christianity on Offense." In what ways can you personally extend hospitality in your current season?
  - a. How can you as a growth group work to be hospitable to others, like unbelieving neighbors, new visitors to your group, people in the communities you are working to serve? Spend some time brainstorming together.
  - b. In what ways can IDC as a church extend hospitality to visitors and in doing so demonstrate the gospel?