David & Mephibosheth: A Meal without Fear

SERMON NOTES AND DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- I. Have you ever been uneasy about accepting a dinner invitation?
 - Mephibosheth: Lame in both feet; No musical talent;
 No battle stories; Grandson of an enemy
 - "Who am I, a dead dog, to sit at the King's table?
- II. Would you accept an invitation to God's table?

Three reasons to accept:

- a. David's Covenant and Christ's
 - i. Hebrews 12:18
 - ii. John 6:40
- b. David's Heart and Christ's
 - i. Romans 5:7-10
 - ii. Thomas Bilney and 1 Timothy 1:15
- c. David's Humanity and Christ's
 - i. Psalms 86:1;40:17;70:5
 - ii. Jesus' humble circumstances
 - iii. Jesus' disciples
 - iv. Isaiah 53
 - v. Jeannie Kabalesky
 - vi. Psalm 103
 - vii. Ephesians 2:4-10

Discussion Questions

Reflecting on the Message Together

- 1. If you could ask anyone from the past to dinner, whom would you ask and why?
- 2. Have you ever felt uncomfortable being asked to dinner? What caused your discomfort?
- 3. What kind of people do you feel most comfortable with?
- 4. Do you ever feel reluctant to come to God in prayer? What causes your hesitation?
- 5. Which of the three points Karel made in the sermon today speaks most profoundly to you: David's Covenant (and God's); David's Heart (and God's), or David's humanity (and Christ's)?
- 6. How did God speak to you through the message?
- 7. How can we pray for one another?