第十篇

大卫、米非波设、以及神的恩慈

诗歌：

读经：撒下九 1～13，罗二 4，弗二 7，四 32，多三 4～5，西三 12

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Message Ten

David, Mephibosheth, and the Kindness of God

Hymns:

Scripture Reading: 2 Sam. 9:1-13; Rom. 2:4; Eph. 2:7; 4:32; Titus 3:4-5; Col. 3:12

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2 Sam. 9:9 And the king called Ziba, Saul's attendant, and said to him, All that belongs to Saul and to all his house I give to your master's son.
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罗 2:4 还是你藐视祂丰富的恩慈、宽容与恒忍，不晓得神的恩慈是领你悔改？
弗 2:7 好在要来的诸世代中，显示祂在基督耶稣里，向我们所施恩慈中恩典超越的丰富。
弗 4:32 你们要以恩慈相待，心存慈怜，彼此饶恕，正如神在基督里饶恕了你们一样。
多 3:4 然而，当我们救主神的恩慈，和祂对人的爱显现的时候，
多 3:5 祂便救了我们，并不是本于我们所成就的义行，乃是照着祂的怜悯，借着重生的洗涤，和圣灵的更新。
西 3:12 所以你们既是神的选民，圣别蒙爱的人，就要穿上怜恤的心肠、恩慈、卑微、温柔、恒忍。

壹 撒下九章一至十三节记载大卫以恩慈待约拿单的儿子米非波设：

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Rom. 2:4 Or do you despise the riches of His kindness and forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that God's kindness is leading you to repentance?
Eph. 2:7 That He might display in the ages to come the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.
Eph. 4:32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ also forgave you.
Titus 3:4 But when the kindness and the love to man of our Savior God appeared,
Titus 3:5 Not out of works in righteousness which we did but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit,
Col. 3:12 Put on therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, inward parts of compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, long-suffering;

I. Second Samuel 9:1-13 is a record of David's showing kindness to Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan:

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A. David felt obliged to show kindness, for the sake of Jonathan, to any

扫罗家存留的任何后裔，他问扫罗家的一个仆人说，“扫罗家还有人没有？我要以神的恩慈待他”—3 节上。

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二 仆人对大卫说，还有约拿单的一个儿子米非波设，是两腿残废的—3 节下。

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三 大卫告诉米非波设，他必因他父亲约拿单的缘故，以恩慈待他，并应许米非波设，要将他祖父一切的地都归还他，并且米非波设可以常在王的席上吃饭—7，13 节。

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四 大卫王保存他的性命，归还他一切的产业，并邀请他同席吃饭—7，9 节。

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五 大卫将原属扫罗和他全家的一切产业，都赐给米非波设；米非波设常在王的席上吃饭，“他两腿都是瘸的”—9，13 节。

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贰 米非波设无一点立场可以得恩，但是他竟然得着了；关于我们与神也是一样：

remaining descendant of the house of Saul and asked a servant of the house of Saul, saying, "Is there yet anyone at all of the house of Saul, that I may show the kindness of God to him?"—v. 3a.

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B. The servant told David that there was still a son of Jonathan, Mephibosheth, who was crippled in his feet—v. 3b.

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C. David told Mephibosheth that he would show kindness to him for the sake of Jonathan his father and promised Mephibosheth that he would restore to him all the land of his grandfather and that he would eat at the king's table continually—vv. 7, 13.

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D. King David preserved his life, restored to him all his inheritance, and invited him to feast with him at the same table—vv. 7, 9.

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E. David gave to Mephibosheth all that belonged to Saul and to all his house; Mephibosheth ate at the king's table continually, and "he was crippled in both his feet"—vv. 9, 13.

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II. Mephibosheth had no ground to receive grace, yet he received it; the same is true with regard to us and God:

一米非波设在大卫面前，一点地位也没有—1～6节：

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1 他的蒙恩不是因着自己，乃是因着另一个人—7节。

撒下 9:7 大卫说，你不要惧怕，我必因你父亲约拿单的缘故，以恩慈待你，将你祖父扫罗一切的地都归还你；你也可以常在我席上吃饭。

2 一个罪人在神面前，也是如此—罗二4。

罗 2:4 还是你藐视祂丰富的恩慈、宽容与恒忍，不晓得神的恩慈是领你悔改？

二米非波设住的地方“罗底巴（Lo-debar）”，是希伯来字，意思是“没有草，没有草场的地方”；今天的世界就是“罗底巴”—撒下九4：

撒下 9:4 王说，他在哪里？洗巴对王说，他在罗底巴，亚米利的儿子玛吉家里。

1 逃离大卫的米非波设，是住在无草之地，没有任何生命的供应—4节。

撒下 9:4 王说，他在哪里？洗巴对王说，他在罗底巴，亚米利的儿子玛吉家里。

2 一个远离神的罪人，也是住在无草之地。

三不是米非波设去找大卫，乃是大卫打发人去把米非波设接来—4～5节。

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A. Mephibosheth had no position at all before David—vv. 1-6:

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1. He received kindness not because of himself but because of another person—v. 7.

2 Sam. 9:7 And David said to him, Do not be afraid, for I will surely show kindness to you for the sake of Jonathan your father; and I will restore to you all the land of your father Saul, and you will eat food at my table continually.

2. This is true for a sinner before God—Rom. 2:4.

Rom. 2:4 Or do you despise the riches of His kindness and forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that God's kindness is leading you to repentance?

B. Lo-debar, the place where Mephibosheth lived, is a Hebrew word that means "a place without grass, without pasture"; the world today is a "Lo-debar"—2 Sam. 9:4:

2 Sam. 9:4 Then the king said to him, Where is he? And Ziba said to the king, He is just now in the house of Machir the son of Amiel in Lo-debar.

1. Mephibosheth, who ran away from David, was living in a place without grass, without any life supply—v. 4.

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2. A sinner far away from God is also living in a place without grass.

C. Mephibosheth did not seek after David, but David sent men to fetch Mephibosheth—vv. 4-5.

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四大卫说“米非波设”时，心里有一种怜恤的感觉，声音里有令人喜悦的声调—6～7节：

撒下9:6 扫罗的孙子，约拿单的儿子米非波设来见大卫，面伏于地叩拜。大卫说，米非波设。米非波设说，仆人在此。
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1 在这句话的深处，有一个心表明神的心是如何—撒上十六7。

撒上16:7 耶和华却对撒母耳说，不要看他的外貌和他身材高大，我不拣选他。因为要紧的不是人怎样看；人是看外貌，耶和华是看内心。

2 大卫的心满有恩慈和怜恤—二十14～15。

撒上20:14 我活着的时候，你要以耶和华的慈爱待我，免我死亡；
撒上20:15 就是我死后，耶和华从地上剪除你每一个仇敌的时候，你也永不可向我家绝了慈爱。

叁 就属灵一面说，我们都像扫罗王的孙子（撒下四4）两腿残废的米非波设一样：

撒下4:4 扫罗的儿子约拿单有一个儿子，是两腿残废的。扫罗和约拿单死亡的消息从耶斯列传到的时候，他才五岁。他乳母抱着他逃跑；因为跑得太急，孩子掉下来，腿就瘸了。他名叫米非波设。

一米非波设虽然常与王同席吃饭，但他的两腿仍是瘸的—九7。

撒下9:7 大卫说，你不要惧怕，我必因你父亲约拿单的缘故，以恩慈待你，将你祖父扫罗一切的地都归还你；你也可以常在我席上吃饭。

二米非波设蒙大卫恩待之后，他只看大卫桌上的丰富，而不看桌下自己的瘸腿。

三我们像米非波设一样，虽然仍是瘸腿的，却能在王的席上吃饭—13节：

撒下9:13 于是米非波设住在耶路撒冷，因为他常在王的席上吃饭。他两腿都是瘸的。

1 我们的两腿虽瘸，不过是“在桌下”。

2 我们得救以后，应当忘掉我们“瘸了的双腿”，而

D. When David said, "Mephibosheth," there was a compassionate feeling in his heart, and there was a pleasant tone in his voice—vv. 6-7:

2 Sam. 9:6 And Mephibosheth the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul, came to David and fell on his face and paid homage. And David said, Mephibosheth. And he said, Your servant is here.
2 Sam. 9:7 And David said to him, Do not be afraid, for I will surely show kindness to you for the sake of Jonathan your father; and I will restore to you all the land of your father Saul, and you will eat food at my table continually.

1. Underneath this word was a heart that expressed God's heart—1 Sam. 16:7.

1 Sam. 16:7 But Jehovah said to Samuel, Do not regard his appearance and the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For it is not how man sees that matters; for man looks on the outward appearance, but Jehovah looks on the heart.

2. David's heart was full of kindness and compassion—20:14-15.

1 Sam. 20:14 And while I am still alive, do show me the lovingkindness of Jehovah, that I may not die;
1 Sam. 20:15 And never cut off your lovingkindness from my house, not even when Jehovah has cut off David's enemies to the man from the face of the earth.

III. Spiritually speaking, we all are like Mephibosheth, the grandson of King Saul (2 Sam. 4:4), who was crippled in his feet:

2 Sam. 4:4 Now Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son who had crippled feet. He was five years old when the news came of Saul and Jonathan out of Jezreel. And his nurse took him up and fled. And as she hurried to flee, he fell and was made lame. And his name was Mephibosheth.

A. Although Mephibosheth dined with the king often, his two feet still remained lame—9:7.

2 Sam. 9:7 And David said to him, Do not be afraid, for I will surely show kindness to you for the sake of Jonathan your father; and I will restore to you all the land of your father Saul, and you will eat food at my table continually.

B. After Mephibosheth received grace from David, he looked only at the riches on David's table; he did not look at his crippled feet underneath the table.

C. Like Mephibosheth, we can dine at the King's table even though we are still crippled—v. 13:

2 Sam. 9:13 And Mephibosheth dwelt in Jerusalem because he ate at the king's table continually. And he was crippled in both his feet.

1. Our two feet are lame, but they are under the table.

2. After we have been saved, we should forget about our "crippled feet"

坐在我们的王耶稣基督的席上，享受祂—7节，罗十四17，尼八10：

撒下9:7 大卫说，你不要惧怕，我必因你父亲约拿单的缘故，以恩慈待你，将你祖父扫罗一切的地都归还你；你也可以常在我席上吃饭。

罗14:17 因为神的国不在于吃喝，乃在于公义、和平、并圣灵中的喜乐。

尼8:10 他又对他们说，你们去吃肥美的，喝甘甜的，有不能预备的就分给他，因为今日是我们主的圣日。你们不要忧愁，因耶和华的喜乐是你们的力量。

a 每当我们看自己，发现自己是瘸腿的，我们就沮丧—歌二8～三5。

歌2:8 听啊，是我良人的声音；看哪，他蹿山越岭而来。

歌2:9 我的良人好像羚羊，或像小牡鹿。他站在我们墙壁后，从窗户往里观看，从窗棂往里探视。

歌2:10 我良人回应我说，我的佳偶，我的美人，起来，与我同去；

歌2:11 因为冬天已过，雨水也止住过去了。

歌2:12 地上百花开放，百鸟鸣叫的时候已经来到；斑鸠的声音在我们境内也听见了。

歌2:13 无花果树的果子渐渐成熟，葡萄树开花放香。我的佳偶，我的美人，起来，与我同去。

歌2:14 我的鸽子啊，你在磐石穴中，在陡岩的隐密处，求你让我得见你的面貌，得听你的声音；因为你的声音甘甜，你的面貌秀美。

歌2:15 要给我们擒拿狐狸，就是毁坏葡萄园的小狐狸；因为我们的葡萄园正在开花。

歌2:16 我的良人属我，我也属他；他在百合花中牧放群羊。

歌2:17 我的良人哪，等到天亮，黑影飞去的时候，你要转回，好像羚羊，或像小牡鹿在比特山上。

歌3:1 我夜夜在床上寻找我心所爱的；我寻找他，却寻不见。

歌3:2 我说，我要起来，绕行城中，在街道上，在宽阔处，寻找我心所爱的。我寻找他，却寻不见。

歌3:3 城中巡逻看守的人遇见我；我问他们：你们看见我心所爱的没有？

歌3:4 我刚离开他们，就遇见我心所爱的；我拉住他，不让他走，直到领他进我母家，到怀我者的内室。

歌3:5 耶路撒冷的众女子啊，我指着羚羊或田野的母鹿郑重地嘱咐你们，不要惊动，不要叫醒我所爱的，等她自己情愿。

b 我们只当看主桌上的丰富，并享受这些丰富—弗三8。

弗3:8 这恩典赐给了我这比众圣徒中最小者还小的，叫我将基督那追测不尽的丰富，当作福音传给外邦人，

and sit at the table of our King, Jesus Christ, to enjoy Him—v. 7; Rom. 14:17; Neh. 8:10:

2 Sam. 9:7 And David said to him, Do not be afraid, for I will surely show kindness to you for the sake of Jonathan your father; and I will restore to you all the land of your father Saul, and you will eat food at my table continually.

Rom. 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

Neh. 8:10 Then he said to them, Go your way; eat the fat, and drink the sweet wine, and send portions to him for whom nothing has been prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of Jehovah is your strength.

a. Whenever we look at ourselves, we discover that we are lame, and we become discouraged—cf. S. S. 2:8—3:5.

S.S. 2:8 The voice of my beloved! Now he comes, / Leaping upon the mountains, / Skipping upon the hills.

S.S. 2:9 My beloved is like a gazelle or a young hart. / Now he stands behind our wall; / He is looking through the windows, / He is glancing through the lattice.

S.S. 2:10 My beloved responds and says to me, / Rise up, my love, / My beauty, and come away;

S.S. 2:11 For now the winter is past; / The rain is over and gone.

S.S. 2:12 Flowers appear on the earth; / The time of singing has come, / And the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land.

S.S. 2:13 The fig tree has ripened its figs, / And the vines are in blossom - they give forth their fragrance. / Rise up, my love, / My beauty, and come away.

S.S. 2:14 My dove, in the clefts of the rock, / In the covert of the precipice, Let me see your countenance, / Let me hear your voice; / For your voice is sweet, / And your countenance is lovely.

S.S. 2:15 Catch the foxes for us, / The little foxes, / That ruin the vineyards / While our vineyards are in blossom.

S.S. 2:16 My beloved is mine, and I am his; / He pastures his flock among the lilies.

S.S. 2:17 Until the day dawns and the shadows flee away, / Turn, my beloved, and be like a gazelle or a young hart / On the mountains of Bether.

S.S. 3:1 On my bed night after night / I sought him whom my soul loves; / I sought him, but found him not.

S.S. 3:2 I will rise now and go about in the city; / In the streets and in the squares / I will seek him whom my soul loves. / I sought him, but found him not.

S.S. 3:3 The watchmen who go about in the city found me - / Have you seen him whom my soul loves?

S.S. 3:4 Scarcely had I passed them / When I found him whom my soul loves; / I held him and would not let go / Until I had brought him into my mother's house / And into the chamber of her who conceived me.

S.S. 3:5 I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem, / By the gazelles or by the hinds of the fields, / Not to rouse up or awaken my love / Until she pleases.

b. We should look only at the riches on the Lord's table and enjoy them—Eph. 3:8.

Eph. 3:8 To me, less than the least of all saints, was this grace given to announce to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ as the gospel

3 神为我们摆在这里的，不知有多好，有多丰富，有多甘甜；我们只管吃—约六 50 ～ 51，53 ～ 57，太八 11，二二 2，启十九 9。

约 6:50 这是从天上降下来的粮，叫人吃了就不死。
约 6:51 我是从天上降下来的活粮，人若吃这粮，就必永远活着。我所要赐的粮，就是我的肉，为世人的生命所赐的。
约 6:53 耶稣说，我实实在在地告诉你们，你们若不吃人子的肉，不喝人子的血，就没有生命在你们里面。
约 6:54 吃我肉喝我血的人，就有永远的生命，在末日我要叫他复活。
约 6:55 我的肉是真正的食物，我的血是真正的饮料。
约 6:56 吃我肉喝我血的人，就住在我里面，我也住在他里面。
约 6:57 活的父怎样差我来，我又因父活着，照样，那吃我的人，也要因我活着。
太 8:11 我又告诉你们，从东从西，将有许多人要来，在诸天的国里与亚伯拉罕、以撒、雅各一同坐席。
太 22:2 诸天的国好比一个作王的人，为他儿子摆设婚筵。
启 19:9 天使对我说，你要写上，凡被请赴羔羊婚筵的有福了。又对我说，这是神真实的话。

四我们该从我们的内顾自己转离，并且望断以及于主—来十二 2，二 9。

来 12:2 望断以及于耶稣，就是我们信心的创始者与成终者；祂为那摆在前面的喜乐，就轻看羞辱，忍受了十字架，便坐在神宝座的右边。
来 2:9 唯独看见耶稣得了荣耀尊贵为冠冕，祂为着受死的苦，成为比天使微小一点的，好叫祂因着神的恩，为样样尝到死味。

五我们只看神所摆在我们面前的丰富和恩典，我们就会有平安，我们的心就会得着满足—太五 6，十四 20。

太 5:6 饥渴慕义的人有福了，因为他们必得饱足。
太 14:20 众人都吃，并且吃饱了。他们拾起剩下的零碎，装满了十二篮子。

肆 大卫对米非波设的恩慈表征神的恩慈—撒下九 3，罗二 4，弗二 7，多三 4 ～ 5：

撒下 9:3 王说，扫罗家还有人没有？我要以神的恩慈待他。洗巴对王说，还有约拿单的一个儿子，是两腿残废的。
罗 2:4 还是你藐视祂丰富的恩慈、宽容与恒忍，不晓得神的恩慈是领你悔改？
弗 2:7 好在要来的诸世代中，显示祂在基督耶稣里，向我们所施

3. What God has spread out for us is wonderful, rich, and sweet; we simply need to eat—John 6:50-51, 53-57; Matt. 8:11; 22:2; Rev. 19:9.

John 6:50 This is the bread which comes down out of heaven, that anyone may eat of it and not die.
John 6:51 I am the living bread which came down out of heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he shall live forever; and the bread which I will give is My flesh, given for the life of the world.
John 6:53 Jesus therefore said to them, Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you do not have life within yourselves.
John 6:54 He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up in the last day.
John 6:55 For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink.
John 6:56 He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me and I in him.
John 6:57 As the living Father has sent Me and I live because of the Father, so he who eats Me, he also shall live because of Me.
Matt. 8:11 But I say to you that many will come from the east and the west and will recline at table with Abraham and Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of the heavens,
Matt. 22:2 The kingdom of the heavens has become like a king who prepared a wedding feast for his son.
Rev. 19:9 And he said to me, Write, Blessed are they who are called to the marriage dinner of the Lamb. And he said to me, These are the true words of God.

D. We need to turn away from self-introspection and look away unto the Lord—Heb. 12:2; 2:9.

Heb. 12:2 Looking away unto Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down on the right hand of the throne of God.
Heb. 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little inferior to the angels because of the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might taste death on behalf of everything.

E. When we look only at the riches and the grace that God has spread before us, we will be peaceful, and our hearts will be satisfied—Matt. 5:6; 14:20.

Matt. 5:6 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.
Matt. 14:20 And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve handbaskets full.

IV. David's kindness to Mephibosheth signifies the kindness of God—2 Sam. 9:3; Rom. 2:4; Eph. 2:7; Titus 3:4-5:

2 Sam. 9:3 And the king said, Is there yet anyone at all of the house of Saul, that I may show the kindness of God to him? And Ziba said to the king, There is still a son of Jonathan; he is crippled in his feet.
Rom. 2:4 Or do you despise the riches of His kindness and forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that God's kindness is leading you to repentance?
Eph. 2:7 That He might display in the ages to come the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward

恩慈中恩典超越的丰富。
多 3:4 然而，当我们救主神的恩慈，和祂对人的爱显现的时候，
多 3:5 祂便救了我们，并不是本于我们所成就的义行，乃是照着祂的怜悯，借着重生的洗涤，和圣灵的更新。

一恩慈是一种仁慈的良善，出自神的怜悯和爱—弗二 4，7。

弗 2:4 然而神富于怜悯，因祂爱我们的大爱，
弗 2:7 好在要来的诸世代中，显示祂在基督耶稣里，向我们所施恩慈中恩典超越的丰富。

二乃是我们救主神的恩慈和爱拯救了我们，使我们与人有别—多三 4：

多 3:4 然而，当我们救主神的恩慈，和祂对人的爱显现的时候，

1 神的恩典将救恩带给人；我们因主的恩典得救—二 11，三 7。

多 2:11 因为神救万人的恩典，已经显现出来，
多 3:7 好叫我们既因祂的恩典得称义，就可以照着永远生命的盼望成为后嗣。

2 提多书三章五节说，神救了我们，乃是照着祂的怜悯：

多 3:5 祂便救了我们，并不是本于我们所成就的义行，乃是照着祂的怜悯，借着重生的洗涤，和圣灵的更新。

a 神的怜悯比神的恩典够得更远—罗九 15 ～ 16，18，23，来四 16。

罗 9:15 因为祂对摩西说，“我要向谁施怜悯，就向谁施怜悯；要对谁动怜恤，就对谁动怜恤。”
罗 9:16 这样看来，这不在于那定意的，也不在于那奔跑的，只在于那施怜悯的神。
罗 9:18 这样看来，神愿意向谁施怜悯，就向谁施怜悯；愿意叫谁刚硬，就叫谁刚硬。
罗 9:23 且要在那些蒙怜悯、早预备得荣耀的器皿上，彰显祂荣耀的丰富；
来 4:16 所以我们只管坦然无惧地来到施恩的宝座前，为要受怜悯，得恩典，作应时的帮助。

b 我们可怜的光景造成了我们与神恩典之间广阔的缺隙。

c 神的怜悯乃是横跨这缺隙的桥梁，把我们带到祂恩典的救恩里—罗二 4，九 23。

罗 2:4 还是你藐视祂丰富的恩慈、宽容与恒忍，不晓得神的恩慈是领你悔改？

us in Christ Jesus.
Titus 3:4 But when the kindness and the love to man of our Savior God appeared,
Titus 3:5 Not out of works in righteousness which we did but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit,

A. Kindness is a benevolent goodness that issues out of the mercy and love of God—Eph. 2:4, 7.

Eph. 2:4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,
Eph. 2:7 That He might display in the ages to come the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

B. It is the kindness and the love of our Savior God that saved us and made us different from others—Titus 3:4:

Titus 3:4 But when the kindness and the love to man of our Savior God appeared,

1. The grace of God brings salvation to man; we have been saved by the grace of the Lord—2:11; 3:7.

Titus 2:11 For the grace of God, bringing salvation to all men, has appeared,
Titus 3:7 In order that having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

2. Titus 3:5 says that according to His mercy God saved us:

Titus 3:5 Not out of works in righteousness which we did but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit,

a. God's mercy reaches farther than His grace—Rom. 9:15-16, 18, 23; Heb. 4:16.

Rom. 9:15 For to Moses He says, "I will have mercy on whomever I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whomever I will have compassion."
Rom. 9:16 So then it is not of him who wills, nor of him who runs, but of God who shows mercy.

Rom. 9:18 So then He has mercy on whom He wills, and He hardens whom He wills.

Rom. 9:23 In order that He might make known the riches of His glory upon vessels of mercy, which He had before prepared unto glory,
Heb. 4:16 Let us therefore come forward with boldness to the throne of grace that we may receive mercy and find grace for timely help.

b. Our pitiful condition created a wide gap between us and God's grace.

c. It was God's mercy that bridged this gap and brought us to His salvation of grace—Rom. 2:4; 9:23.

Rom. 2:4 Or do you despise the riches of His kindness and forbearance and long-suffering, not knowing that God's kindness is leading you to repentance?

罗 9:23 且要在那些蒙怜悯、早预备得荣耀的器皿上，彰显祂荣耀的丰富；

3 在提多书三章四至五节，保罗不是说到恩典，乃是说到恩慈、爱和怜悯：

多 3:4 然而，当我们救主神的恩慈，和祂对人的爱显现的时候，
多 3:5 祂便救了我们，并不是本于我们所成就的义行，乃是照着祂的怜悯，借着重生的洗涤，和圣灵的更新。

a 爱是恩典的源头；在约翰一书我们摸着父神的爱作恩典的源头—三 1，四 9 ～ 10。

约壹 3:1 你们看，父赐给我们的是何等的爱，使我们得称为神的儿女，我们也真是祂的儿女。世人所以不认识我们，是因未曾认识祂。
约壹 4:9 神差祂的独生子到世上来，使我们借着祂得生并活着，在此神的爱就向我们显明了。
约壹 4:10 不是我们爱神，乃是神爱我们，差祂的儿子，为我们的罪作了平息的祭物，在此就是爱了。

b 父神的心里有爱，这爱借着子彰显出来时，就成了恩典—约一 14，16 ～ 17。

约 1:14 话成了肉体，支搭帐幕在我们中间，丰丰满满地有恩典，有实际。我们也见过祂的荣耀，正是从父而来独生子的荣耀。
约 1:16 从祂的丰满里我们都领受了，而且恩上加恩；
约 1:17 因为律法是借着摩西赐的，恩典和实际都是借着耶稣基督来的。

c 恩慈是神赐恩典给我们的态度—弗二 7。

弗 2:7 好在要来的诸世代中，显示祂在基督耶稣里，向我们所施恩慈中恩典超越的丰富。

d 我们有怜悯、爱和恩慈，自然就会有恩典—多三 4 ～ 5，7。

多 3:4 然而，当我们救主神的恩慈，和祂对人的爱显现的时候，
多 3:5 祂便救了我们，并不是本于我们所成就的义行，乃是照着祂的怜悯，借着重生的洗涤，和圣灵的更新。
多 3:7 好叫我们既因祂的恩典得称义，就可以照着永远生命的盼望成为后嗣。

e 我们的神与父已向我们显示爱、怜悯和恩慈；祂借此拯救我们—4 ～ 5 节。

多 3:4 然而，当我们救主神的恩慈，和祂对人的爱显现的时候，
多 3:5 祂便救了我们，并不是本于我们所成就的义行，乃是照着祂的怜悯，借着重生的洗涤，和圣灵的更新。

Rom. 9:23 In order that He might make known the riches of His glory upon vessels of mercy, which He had before prepared unto glory,

3. In Titus 3:4 and 5 Paul speaks not of grace but of kindness, love, and mercy:

Titus 3:4 But when the kindness and the love to man of our Savior God appeared,
Titus 3:5 Not out of works in righteousness which we did but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit,

a. Love is the source of grace; in 1 John we touch the love of God the Father as the source of grace—3:1; 4:9-10.

1 John 3:1 Behold what manner of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and we are. Because of this the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

1 John 4:9 In this the love of God was manifested among us, that God sent His only begotten Son into the world that we might have life and live through Him.
1 John 4:10 Herein is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son as a propitiation for our sins.

b. In the heart of God the Father there is love; when this love is expressed through the Son, it becomes grace—John 1:14, 16-17.

John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and tabernacled among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only Begotten from the Father), full of grace and reality.
John 1:16 For of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace.
John 1:17 For the law was given through Moses; grace and reality came through Jesus Christ.

c. Kindness is God's attitude in giving us grace—Eph. 2:7.

Eph. 2:7 That He might display in the ages to come the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

d. When we have mercy, love, and kindness, we automatically have grace—Titus 3:4-5, 7.

Titus 3:4 But when the kindness and the love to man of our Savior God appeared,
Titus 3:5 Not out of works in righteousness which we did but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and the renewing of the Holy Spirit,
Titus 3:7 In order that having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

e. Our God and Father has shown us love, mercy, and kindness; it is by this that He saves us—vv. 4-5.

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三在要来的诸世代—千年国时代和将来的永远—中，神要显示“祂在基督耶稣里，向我们所施恩慈中恩典超越的丰富”—弗二7：

弗2:7 好在要来的诸世代中，显示祂在基督耶稣里，向我们所施恩慈中恩典超越的丰富。

1 神的恩典是在神的恩慈中赐给我们的—8节。

弗2:8 你们得救是靠着恩典，借着信；这并不是出于你们，乃是神的恩赐；

2 神恩慈中恩典的丰富，超越各样的限制—7节：

弗2:7 好在要来的诸世代中，显示祂在基督耶稣里，向我们所施恩慈中恩典超越的丰富。

a 这些是神自己的丰富，作我们的享受—三8。

弗3:8 这恩典赐给了我这比众圣徒中最小者还小的，叫我将基督那追测不尽的丰富，当作福音传给外邦人，

b 神恩慈中恩典的这些丰富要公开显示出来，直到永远—二7。

弗2:7 好在要来的诸世代中，显示祂在基督耶稣里，向我们所施恩慈中恩典超越的丰富。

四那灵的果子其中的一项是恩慈—加五22：

加5:22 但那灵的果子，就是爱、喜乐、和平、恒忍、恩慈、良善、信实、

1 我们既已穿上了新人，（西三10，）是神的选民，圣别蒙爱的人，就需要穿上怜恤的心肠和恩慈。（12。）

西3:10 并且穿上了新人；这新人照着创造他者的形像渐渐更新，以致有充足的知识；

西3:12 所以你们既是神的选民，圣别蒙爱的人，就要穿上怜恤的心肠、恩慈、卑微、温柔、恒忍。

2 使徒保罗以恩慈作神的执事，并且他嘱咐我们要常留在神的恩慈中—林后六4，6，罗十一22。

林后6:4 反倒在各样的事上，在多方的忍耐上、在患难上、在贫困上、在困苦上、

林后6:6 以纯洁、以知识、以恒忍、以恩慈、以圣别的灵、以无伪的爱、

罗11:22 你看神的恩慈和严厉：对那跌倒的人是严厉，对你却是神的恩慈，只要你常留在祂的恩慈中；不然，你也要被砍下来。

3 爱是有恩慈，（林前十三4，）我们要以恩慈相待，

C. In the ages to come—the ages of the millennium and eternity future—God will display "the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus"—Eph. 2:7:

Eph. 2:7 That He might display in the ages to come the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

1. It is in God's kindness that the grace of God is given to us—v. 8.

Eph. 2:8 For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this not of yourselves; it is the gift of God;

2. The riches of God's grace in His kindness surpass every limit—v. 7:

Eph. 2:7 That He might display in the ages to come the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

a. These are the riches of God Himself for our enjoyment—3:8.

Eph. 3:8 To me, less than the least of all saints, was this grace given to announce to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ as the gospel

b. The riches of God's grace in kindness will be publicly displayed for eternity—2:7.

Eph. 2:7 That He might display in the ages to come the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

D. One item of the fruit of the Spirit is kindness—Gal. 5:22:

Gal. 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

1. Having put on the new man (Col. 3:10), as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, we need to put on inward parts of compassion and kindness (v. 12).

Col. 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

Col. 3:12 Put on therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, inward parts of compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, long-suffering;

2. The apostle Paul was a minister of God in kindness, and he charged us to continue in the kindness of God—2 Cor. 6:4, 6; Rom. 11:22.

2 Cor. 6:4 But in everything we commend ourselves as ministers of God, in much endurance, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,

2 Cor. 6:6 In pureness, in knowledge, in long-suffering, in kindness, in a holy spirit, in unfeigned love,

Rom. 11:22 Behold then the kindness and severity of God: on those who fell, severity; but on you, the kindness of God, if you continue in His kindness; otherwise you also will be cut off.

3. Love is kind (1 Cor. 13:4), and we need to be kind to one another,

心存慈怜，彼此饶恕，正如神在基督里饶恕了我们一样。（弗四 32。）

林前 13:4 爱是恒久忍耐，又有恩慈；爱是不嫉妒；爱是不自夸，不张狂，

弗 4:32 你们要以恩慈相待，心存慈怜，彼此饶恕，正如神在基督里饶恕了你们一样。

tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ also forgave us (Eph. 4:32).

1 Cor. 13:4 Love suffers long. Love is kind; it is not jealous. Love does not brag and is not puffed up;

Eph. 4:32 And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ also forgave you.