

Jesus Is Calling You to Face Your Fears in Faith

Facing your fears in life can be one of the hardest things you have to overcome.

There we were standing by this large crowd of people. Excitement was everywhere in the air; children were laughing, and people were hurrying to get a place in the line. My 16-year-old son, Jeremy, turned to me, placed his hands on both my shoulders and said, "I'll be back; I'm going to face my fears!"

He went to get on the giant drop. For me, that was a defining moment as his mother. I could see him way down the road in life. I believed because I had faced my fears that he would also be able to face his.

During that season in my life, I was looking for anyone who might understand. I had also experienced a giant drop which made me remember Mephibosheth.

2 Samuel 4:4 says, "Now Jonathan the son of Saul had a son with crippled feet. He was five years old when the report of Saul and Jonathan came from Jezreel. His nurse picked him up and fled, but in her haste to escape, he fell and became lame. His name was Mephibosheth."

Perhaps while trying to avoid trouble in your life, you ended up damaged in the process. Maybe when you rose to go in the right direction things seemed to get worse.

Let's ring Mephibosheth's doorbell and see how he faced his fears in 2 Samuel 9:1: "David said, 'Is there still anyone left from the house of Saul to whom I may show kindness on behalf of Jonathan?'"

David remembered Saul's decedent's just like God is going to remember you and yours.

"Mephibosheth the son of Jonathan the son of Saul came to David and fell upon his face and bowed down. Then David said, 'Mephibosheth,' and he responded, 'I am your servant. David said to him, 'Do not be afraid, for I will certainly show you kindness on account of Jonathan, your father. I will return to you every field of Saul, your father, and you will eat at my table perpetually'" (2 Sam. 9:6-7).

No matter what has crippled you in your life mentally, spiritually, financially or even physically, there is hope that God has not forgotten you. He knows exactly where you are in life. Mephibosheth knew that his family had an issue with King David, and he didn't know if the King was coming to take revenge or not. Him being related to Saul was once a disadvantage to him, a catalyst that caused him to be crippled, and now God was about to turn the tides and cause the very thing that crippled him to bless him forever. Allow God to deal with your fears and know that He can restore to you everything that you have lost, just like He did for Mephibosheth.

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