

# David & Mephibosheth

## 1 Samuel 20:14-17

FALL UNIT 4:  
God Made My Family

BIBLE VERSE:  
"Serve one another in love." Galatians 5:13

GOD'S WORD & ME (BOTTOM LINE):  
I can show God's love by being kind and helping others.



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### Tell the Story

Open your Bible to 2 Samuel 9. Tell the story using the pictured motions (keywords in bold) or show Bible Story 18 pictures.

**When has your mom or dad promised to take you to a park or to a playground? We're glad when people keep their promises. Listen to find out how David kept a promise he made to his friend Jonathan.**



When David became the king, he tried to do good because he loved God. One day, King David was **sad**. David remembered his good friend Jonathan who was dead. They had promised always to help each other and to help each other's children.



*How can I help Jonathan now?* King David thought. *Maybe there is someone from his family who I could help.*

"Is anyone from Jonathan's family still living?" King David asked his helper.

"There is only one person still alive," the helper said. "He is Jonathan's son, Mephibosheth (mih-FIHB-eh-shehth). His **feet** are hurt, and he cannot walk very well."



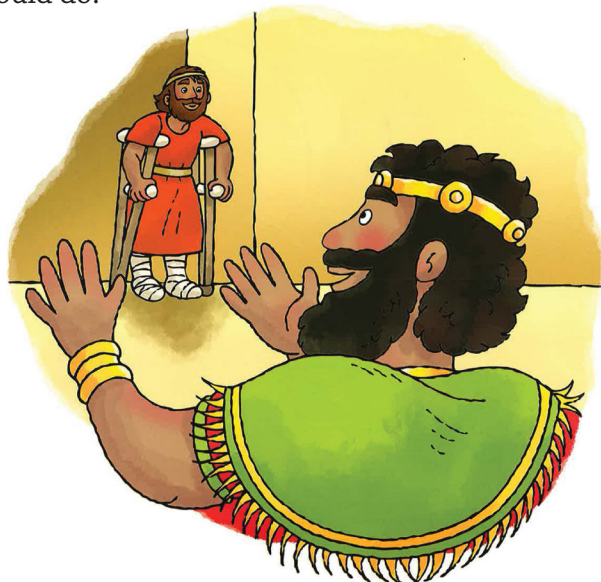
"Bring Mephibosheth to see me right away," King David said. Soon the helper brought Mephibosheth. He walked very slowly toward King David. Mephibosheth felt afraid. He **bowed** before King David.

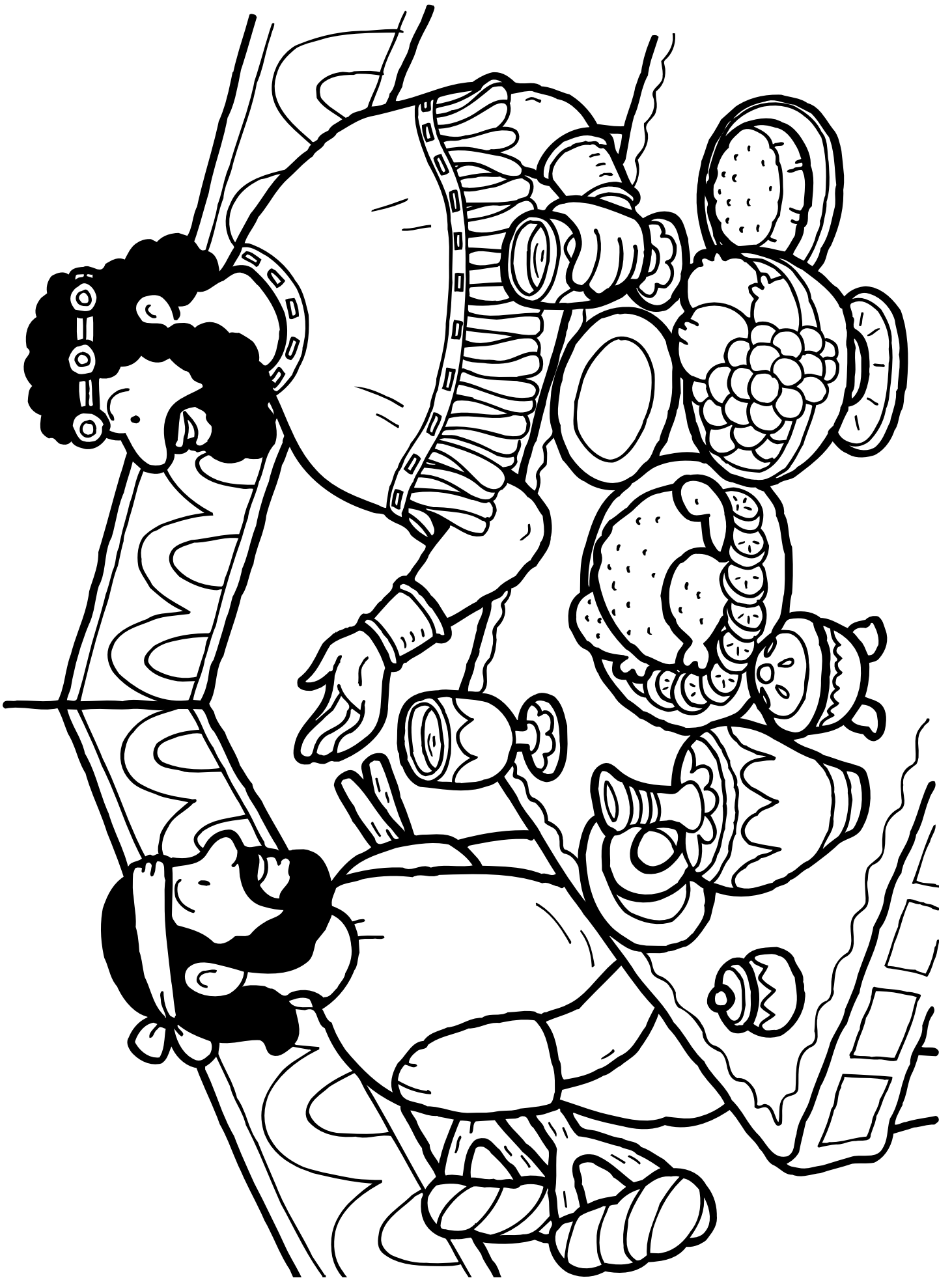
"Oh, Mephibosheth, don't be afraid," King David said. "I promised your father that I would help his children. I want to do as I promised. I want to help you."

Mephibosheth was surprised. "Oh, thank you," Mephibosheth said.

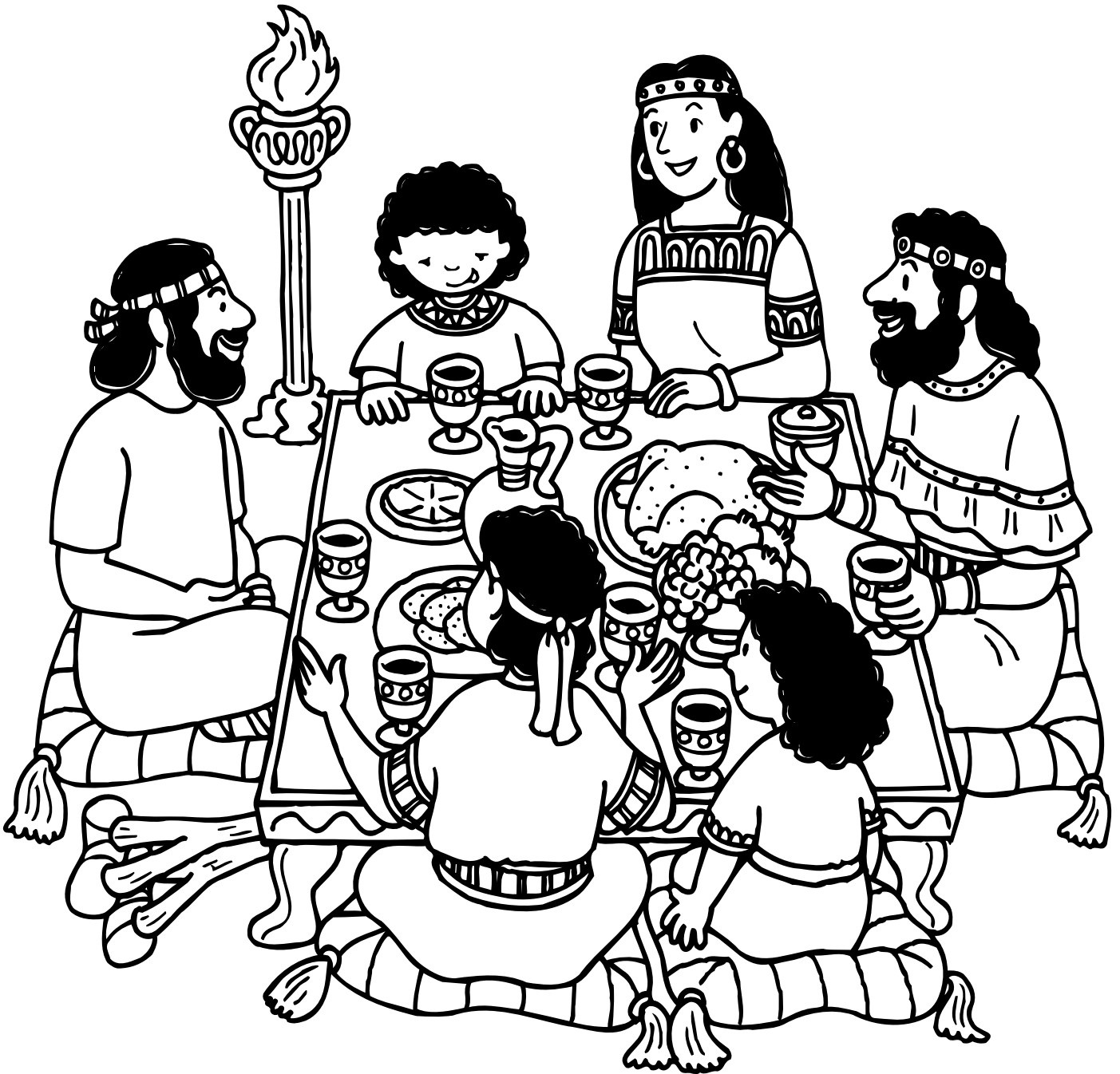


King David said, "I want you and your family to come and live with me. I will give you good food to **eat**. I will give you nice clothes to wear." So Mephibosheth lived with King David in the palace. King David was kind and did the good things that he said he would do.





Find and color 7 cups at this dinner.



David was kind to Mephibosheth by inviting him to live with him and eat with him each day. We can show God's love by being kind to people who need help, too. Our Bible says, "Be kind to one another." (See Ephesians 4:32.)



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Then print as many numbers as you can.

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