The Lord Has Put Your Sin Away

2 Samuel 7:7-13

Read 2 Samuel I2:7-I3

1.) The Lord Is Exceedingly Gracious

A.) The Lord is Gracious to All of Creation

James I:17

Psalm 104:27-30

"All things that exist, including both material and spiritual beings, depend entirely on God for their existence in the first place and for their continuation in existence. God's entire relationship to his creation is one of grace; God is the one who acts in freedom."—Craig A. Carter

B.)The Lord Has Been Exceedingly Gracious to David

C.) Greater Grace Demands a Greater Fidelity

"...This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner." (Luke 7:39)

Luke 7:4I-42

2 Samuel 12:708

2 Samuel 7:18

D.) The Lord was Exceedingly Gracious to Israel

Deuteronomy 6:10-12

E.) We Are the Recipients of Even Greater Grace

Ephesians I:9-10

I Peter I:I0-II

Ephesians 3:8-10, "...this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, **9** and to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ; **10** to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church, to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places."

Application: Our Response Should be One of Greater <u>Gratitude</u> and Greater <u>Fidelity</u>

2.) The Lord Is Extravagantly Merciful

A.) The Lord is Merciful to All of Creation

2 Peter 3:9

Romans 2:4-5

B.) The Lord Has Been Extravagantly Merciful to David

C.) Sin is Always and Everywhere a Personal Offense Against a Personal God

"For the Christian, virtually all that we are held responsible for, all that we obey or disobey, all that we choose or disavow, is foundational defined by what God has commanded or forbidden. But the notion of God commanding or forbidding depends on understanding that God is personal. Christians are not saying that there is an impersonal "it" tied up with the creation and we must get ourselves in line with the way the creation operates if we are to function smoothly within creation....Christians are saying that there is a personal "he" out there, a heavenly Father, separate from the creation. What makes sin heinous is that it is defiance of what he prescribes or forbids. Our moral responsibility is tied to our accountability to him." "**9** Why have you despised the commandment of the Lord, to do evil in His sight?...(2 Samuel 12:9)

Verse 10, "*IO* Now therefore, the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised Me..." (2 Samuel 12:10)

"...The Lord also has put away your sin; you shall not die." (2 Samuel 12:13)

D.)The Lord's Mercy Cannot be Grounded in the Passing By

- E.) The Forgiveness of David is Incongruent
- F.) The Lord was Extravagantly Gracious to Israel
- G.) We Are the Recipients of Even Greater Mercy.