



A Heart Like
God's

Who's at your table?

When our longing in life is
to make a place for God
to be with us in the earth,
God takes our temporal
resources and makes an
eternal inheritance for us.

John 2:19–21

19 Jesus answered them, “*Destroy
this temple, and in three days I will
raise it up.*”

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**20 The Jews then said, “It took
forty-six years to build this temple,
and will You raise it up in three
days?”**

21 But *He was speaking of the temple
of His body.*

Matthew 16:18

18 “I also say to you that you are
Peter, and upon **this rock**
I will build My church; and the gates
of Hades will not overpower it.

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The most important
building project in
history is the building up
of the church.

The church is built when
the members of the
body are being built up
together...

...including those members
who have become
isolated
discouraged
even prodigal

What do you do,
or will you now do,
to build a house for
God to dwell in the
midst of our region?

Compassion is not an issue
of passion,
it is an issue of obedience.

If we deem anyone
unworthy of our
compassion, remember
that none of us is
worthy of the compassion
shown to us.

2 Samuel 9:1–10

**1 Then David said, “Is there yet
anyone left of the house of Saul, **that I
may show him kindness for
Jonathan’s sake?”****

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2 Now there was a servant of the house of Saul whose name was Ziba, and they called him to David; and the king said to him, “Are you Ziba?” And he said, “*I am* your servant.”

**3 The king said, “Is there not yet
anyone of the house of Saul to whom I
may show the kindness of God?”**

And Ziba said to the king, “There is still a son of Jonathan who is crippled in both feet.”

4 So the king said to him, “Where is he?” And Ziba said to the king, “Behold, he is in the house of Machir the son of Ammiel in Lo-debar.”

**5 Then King David sent and brought
him from the house of Machir the son
of Ammiel, from Lo-debar.**

**6 Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan
the son of Saul, came to David and fell
on his face and prostrated himself.
And David said, “Mephibosheth.” And
he said, “Here is your servant!”**

7 David said to him, “Do not fear, for I will surely show kindness to you for the sake of your father Jonathan,

**and will restore to you all the land of
your grandfather Saul; and you shall
eat at my table regularly.”**

8 Again he prostrated himself and said, “What is your servant, that you should regard a dead dog like me?”

**9 Then the king called Saul's servant
Ziba and said to him, "All that
belonged to Saul and to all his house I
have given to your master's grandson.**

**10 “You and your sons and your
servants shall cultivate the land for
him, and you shall bring in *the
produce* so that your master’s
grandson may have food;**

**nevertheless Mephibosheth your
master's grandson shall eat at my
table regularly.” Now Ziba had fifteen
sons and twenty servants.**

Matthew 25:35–36

35 ‘For **I** was hungry, and you gave **Me**
something to eat; **I** was thirsty, and you gave
Me something to drink; **I** was a stranger, and
you invited **Me** in;

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36 naked, and you clothed **Me**; I was sick,
and you visited **Me**; I was in prison, and you
came to **Me**.'

Luke 14:12-14

12 And He also went on to say to the one who had invited Him, “When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors,

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**otherwise they may also invite you in return
and *that* will be your repayment.**

**13 “But when you give a reception, invite *the*
poor, *the* crippled, *the* lame, *the* blind,**

14 and you will be blessed, since **they do not have *the means* to repay you**; for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

When it comes to the
mercy of God, How
someone got into the pit
we find them is irrelevant.
He found all of us in one
pit or another.

Who will you invite to
your table who presently
has nothing to offer you
in return?