

# SERMON OUTLINE

GOD'S PREVENTATIVE GRACE

I SAMUEL 25:1-44

JANUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

I. The Situation: vs. 1-8

II. The Tension: vs. 9-13

III. The Intervention: vs. 14-35

"<sup>16</sup>And your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me. Your throne shall be established forever." – 2 Samuel 7:16

IV. The Resolution: vs. 36-44

"If we have seen others do things that we never did; and if they have done worse than we, this is owing to restraining grace. If we have not done as bad as Pharaoh, it is owing to divine restraints. If we have not done as bad as Judas, or as the scribes and Pharisees, or as bad as Herod, or Simon Magus, it is because God has restrained our corruption. If we have ever heard or read of any that have done worse than we; if we have not gone the length in sinning, that the most wicked pirates or carnal persecutors have gone, this is owing to restraining grace." – Jonathan Edwards

"It is a mark of sincere and genuine godliness to be not less thankful for being kept from sinning than from being rescued from suffering." – W.G. Blaikie

**BENEDICTION:** "Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen." – Jude 1:24-25