

LIFEGROUP RESOURCES: 10.13.24 Pulpit Curriculum

David's Sin: The Foolishness of Playing Games with God

Main Passage: 2 Samuel 11

1) David's Fall

[Prov. 4:23; 2 Cor. 10:5; 1 Cor. 10:12, 13; Rom. 5:2; Jude 24; Ps. 32:3-5; Ps. 51; James 1:13-15; 1 Cor. 6:18-20; 1 Pet. 2:11; Gal. 6:7; 2 Cor. 7:1]

- David, a man after God's own heart, became rebellious against his calling as king of Israel and did not go out to war but stayed behind, being selfish and self-indulgent by committing adultery with Bathsheba and having Uriah murdered on the battlefield so he could cover his sin and have Bathsheba as his own.
 - **A.** Lust, like all sin, is only fed, never satisfied. What sin in your life was a direct result of an unwatched life and compromised soul, consistently gratifying your flesh instead of obeying God?
 - **B.** God is able to save you from the penalty of sin and the power of sin in your life. Describe a time when you faced temptation and received God's grace to flee from it and into the way of escape He provided.

2) Uriah's Honor

[2 Sam. 11:11]

- Even though David repeatedly tried to get Uriah to go back home to lay with his wife, Uriah's priority was serving the king and the Lord faithfully.
 - C. David was functioning out of impulse; Uriah was functioning about of principle and purpose. What area of your life do you tend to live impulsively vs. obedience/discipline?
 - **D.** In what ways does your life match the principles and purposes of living for God?

3) David Playing Games with God



[2 Sam. 11:7; Gal. 6:7; Num. 32:23; Ps. 33:13-15; Heb.4:13: 2 Cor. 7:1] Shalom- peace; wholeness in all areas of your life

- David was more concerned with saving face with the people and pretended to care about their well-being while he was deep in his sin and selfishness. People may be fooled by this, but God will not be mocked- He sees and knows all.
 - E. "It's only a small thing, It will hurt people if I'm honest, I think I can get away with it, I can stop this any time, No one needs to know, God has already forgiven me. The Bible isn't specific about this sin. I'm not hurting anyone."- All lies that we tell ourselves when we are entangled in our sin. Which of these (or other) lies do you tend to believe?
 - F. In what ways are you tempted to play games with God and ignore His omniscience and greatness?

4) Sinner's Redemption

- a) Repent of sin for salvation (1 Pet. 2:24)
- b) Rely on Christ and His promises abide (John. 15:5)
- c) Yield to the Holy Spirit's ministry (Gal. 5:24, 25)
- d) Fight! Resist the Devil- fight sin (James 4:6-10)
- e) Pursue Holiness in Ministry Together (2 Tim. 2:22)
 - **G.** What features of the redeemed life should you seek to grow in? (repent, rely, yield, fight, pursue)?
 - H. We can't isolate ourselves if we want to see victory over sin; we need community. Who in your life holds you accountable the most?