

Are you wondering what it means to be a Christian?

Jesus said, "All that the Father gives me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will never drive away" (John 6:37). Jesus also said, "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day" (John 6:44).

If you are feeling drawn to Christ, it is because God the Father is drawing you; it is not a desire we can or will create within ourselves. This also means that there is no sin too great to be forgiven, and no past too sinful to be overcome. You can trust Christ to receive you because it is God the Father who is drawing you to find true repentance and receive the gift of faith. You can know a new life in Jesus Christ.

We would love to talk and pray with you about this or any other spiritual needs you may have. Please see Pastor Mark or one of our elders after today's service to do so.

Are you interested in Baptism or Church Membership?

Please indicate your interest on the back of your Connection Card and Pastor Mark or one of the elders will be in touch with you this week to set up a time to meet with you.

TEMPTATION, ADULTERY, & MURDER
2 Samuel 11

Main Thought: The sin David committed with Bathsheba and against Uriah in 2 Samuel 11 should remind us to deal with the sin issues in our lives with the help of the Holy Spirit.

1. SIN CRACKS BENEATH THE SURFACE IN _____ LIFE. (v 1)

- 1) Sexual _____
- 2) _____
- 3) A Lack of _____
- 4) _____

2. ANALYZING DAVID'S PATH TO _____ (vv 2-4; James 1:14-15)

- 1) He _____
- 2) He sent and _____
- 3) He _____ and he lay

3. THE _____ UP (vv 6-25)

4. APPLICATION:

- 1) We need to take sin _____. (Matt. 5:29-30)
- 2) We can resist _____ with the help of the Holy Spirit. (1 Cor. 10:13)
- 3) What sin issue(s) do you have in your life that the Holy Spirit is _____ you of and wanting to help you overcome?

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH GROUPS

1. Read 2 Samuel 11 and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal God's truth to you as you read.

2. What do you learn about God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) from this passage?

3. What do you learn about human beings/yourself from this passage?

4. What verse meant the most to you? Why?

5. What didn't you understand in the passage? What answers did you find for your questions?

6. What application(s) for your life do you take away from this passage?

Digging deeper:

7. What significance do you see in the timing of David's sin? (vv 1-2)

8. What progression of thought and action do you see on David's part leading to this sin? (vv 2-4) How does that compare to James 1:13-15?

9. Could Bathsheba have prevented this seduction? Why or why not?

10. Upon learning that Bathsheba is pregnant, how does David attempt to initially cover up his sin?

11. Why doesn't Uriah take the opportunity to spend time with his wife?

12. How does David ultimately decide to get rid of Uriah? How does Joab become complicit in Uriah's murder?

13. What must Bathsheba be feeling and thinking as all these events transpire?

14. In what ways does one sin lead to another in this story? Which of the Ten Commandments did David break?