

David & Bathsheba

Scripture Text: 2 Kings 11, 12, Psalm 51

- David is the 2nd King of Israel
- This story illustrates the love of God, the destructiveness of sin, and the process of repentance
- Scene: Israel is at war
- 1 Samuel: David as boy/Saul as king;
2 Samuel: David as king/(Solomon as boy);
1 Kings: Solomon as king/Divided kingdom

1. The Sin – 2 Samuel 11:1-5

- 1 – David has not gone into battle yet
- 2 – evening: he sees Bathsheba taking a bath
- 3 – asks who she is, an “army wife”
- 4 – David has Bathsheba brought unto him
- 5 – Bathsheba: “I am with child.”
David: “What have I done? What will I do?”

2. The Coverup – 2 Samuel 11:6-27

- 6 – David asks for Uriah
- 7 – making this look legitimate
- 8 – Uriah sent to his house with a feast
- 9 – Uriah (a just man) refused to go inside
- 10 – David questions Uriah
- 11 – “my soldiers are not home, neither am I”
- 12 – David made him stay
- 13 – David made Uriah drunk to cover his sin!
- 14 – Uriah must take a letter to front line
- 15 – letter: put Uriah up front
- 16 – Joab following orders
- 17 – Uriah died; David thinks “all is well”
- 18 – Joab tells David all

- 19-21 – a great coverup story
- 22-24 – rehearsed the story; Uriah is dead
- 26 – Bathsheba mourns the death of Uriah
- 27 – David brought Bathsheba to his house and she becomes his wife

3. The Punishment – 2 Samuel 12:1-24

- 1-6 – Nathan the prophet’s story
- 7 – “Thou art the man!” Imagine the courage
- 9 – why have you done this evil?
- 13 – David admits his sin
- 15 – David & Bathsheba’s son struck with sickness – v. 18 – child dies
- 20 – in the face of death, David worshiped
- 21 – servants wonder why he worshiped
- 23 – David: “I can’t bring him back but I can go where he is”
- 24 – another son born: Solomon (God’s redemptive nature shown)

(Lessons) How to Handle Sin – Psalm 51

1. V.3-4 – acknowledge you have sinned
2. V.7 – purge the sins (repent)
3. V.10-12 – live life anew
4. V.13 – teach others not to do what you did

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