

Life Lessons
(2 Samuel 11-15)

Chapter 11

Overview

David's Sins (Listed in 13:9)

- * David commits adultery w/Bathsheba, Bathsheba/Conceives
- * David's Cover Up – Uriah/Home/Drunk/Orders Joab/Uriah Struck
- * Uriah & Others Die, Bathsheba mourns/David takes as wife

Point #1

You are What You See

- * What We See - David saw her/Beautiful/Behold
- * **James 1:12-15** – Temptation/Desires/Enticed/Conceived/Sin/Death
- * What We see in Ourselves/Not What Others See/What God Sees
- * David looked Good/Others; BUT - 13:7, 9, 12

Chapter 12

Overview

David's Confession

- * Lord/Nathan to David – Rich Man/Poor Man/Lamb/Your/Man
- * V13-14 - David's Confession – Favorite Verse! & Title of Psalm 51
- * Forgiveness, But Consequences
- * Death of the Child, Solomon Born, Rabbah Captured

Point #2

Confrontation & Confession

- * **Psalm 51** – The Confession; **Psalm 32** – Results of Confession
- * Death/Child – Consequence/David/Bathsheba – Not Baby V22-23
- * Baby went to Heaven! Isa 11:6-8; Zech 8:3-5; I Kings 14:12-13

Chapter 13

Overview

Amnon's Sin

- * Amnon “loved” ½ Sister/Tamar; Friend told him how to trick her
- * Amnon rapes Tamar, David “Angry”, 2 Yrs, Absalom kills Amnon
- * Absalom flees/Geshur 3 Yrs (Grandparents/Mom's Side 2 Sam 3:2)

Point #3

What does Love Lead To?

- * V1, 4 = V14 = V15
- * **John 3:16, Romans 5:8, John 13:1** (Love/End), **1 John 4:9**⁹In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.
- * Lust/Sin = Hatred/Death (V32- Architect/Plan – Only Amnon dead)

Chapter 14

Overview

Absalom's Return

- * Joab Teams w/Wise Woman/Tekoa; Story 2 Sons/One kills/other
- * David/Compassionate/Woman's Plea (V11)Vows/Protection for Son
- * David/Perceives Work/Joab; Grants/Return/Absalom; Return; 2 Yrs
- * Absalom/Burns Joab's field; Joab/Convinces David/Forgive/Absalom

Point #4

The Way Back to God

- * What is Missing? Confession!
- * The Way Back to God begins w/Confession!
- Leviticus 5:5**⁵‘And it shall be, when he is guilty in any of these matters, that he shall confess that he has sinned in that thing;
- Proverbs 28:13**¹³He who covers his sins will not prosper, But whoever confesses and forsakes them will have mercy.
- 1 John 1:9**⁹If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- Luke 17:3-4** - If brother Sins Against/Repents/Forgive!

Chapter 15

Overview

Absalom's Treason

- * Absalom “steals the heart of the people” Standing at Gate/Judging
- * Absalom's Coup de'tat, David flees; Sends Ark/Priests Back
- * Ahithophel, King's Counselor/Part/Coup; Prays; Assist by Hushai

Point #5

How to Handle Adversity

- * No Confession, No Brokenness – Just Pride & Fearlessness of Sin
- * Five ways to Handle Adversity:
 1. V14 – Humility - Thinking of Others Instead/Before Ourselves
 2. V19 – Ittai - Don't involve others unnecessarily
 3. V25 – Give it to God
 4. V31 – Pray
 5. V34 – Act Wisely [6. V37 Thank the Lord for True Friends!!]
- Matthew 10:16-17**¹⁶“Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and harmless as doves. ¹⁷But beware of men, for they will deliver you up to councils and scourge you in their synagogues.