



SEEKING GOD'S KINGDOM

PART 43

How Did We Get Here?

2 SAMUEL 11

1 2 Samuel 11:1-5 — *The king took what he saw*

David was tempted by his own desires



- David saw Bathsheba and sent someone to find out about her.
- Learning she was Uriah's wife should have stopped him.
- David sent messengers and took her. This was not an encounter between two equals.
- Bathsheba sent word: "I am pregnant."

2) 2 Samuel 11:6–25 — *Trying to cover it up*

Other people paid the price



- David wanted Uriah to go home so people would think the baby was his.
- Uriah showed the restraint that David ignored, even after David made him drunk.
- Uriah carried his own death warrant to Joab.
- Uriah and other soldiers died; their families were affected.

3) 2 Samuel 11:26–27 — *The LORD saw the whole thing*

The LORD looks at the heart — 1 Samuel 16:7



- David married Bathsheba, but what he had done displeased the LORD.
- What does Jesus see in my heart that other people don't?
- Am I entertaining desires, making excuses, or hiding sin?
- We turn to Jesus for forgiveness, protection, and strength to turn away.

DESIRE

David pursued
what he wanted.

SIN

He tried to cover it up.

James 1:14–15

DEATH

Other people suffered.



Approach God's throne of grace with confidence — Hebrews 4:15–16

God is faithful; He provides a way out — 1 Corinthians 10:12–13



MAIN TAKEAWAY

When temptation comes, turn to Jesus. He strengthens us to stand firm and welcomes us in forgiveness when we turn back to Him.



REFLECTION QUESTION

What am I making excuses for, and where do I need Jesus' help today?



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