

## 2 Samuel 12:1-23

### Why Have You Despised the Word of the Lord

**Why do we sin?**

**We sin because we want to be the god of our own lives.**

**What idol is in your heart? An idol is anything we put before God.**

**Self, Significance, Control, Comfort, these are idolatry.**

**Idols corrupt from the inside out, because they are counterfeit gods.**

**Vs 1-6** God knew David had sinned. God knows when we sin. God loves us and forgives us through faith in Jesus, but there are still consequences for our sins.

**Everything can be going great in life, but one sin can shipwreck us. That sin can change our lives forever.**

**What consequence of sin has changed your life forever?**

**What sin are you dabbling with that God may bring serious consequences?**

**God uses people in our life to point us back on track. Do you listen to God's people or justify your sin or get mad when someone brings it up?**

Nathan gives a story to David that makes David mad. David has no idea Nathan is talking about him. God cares for the poor and favors them. God wants us to care for them also.

- **David's sin with Bethsheba broke the 10<sup>th</sup> commandment. Ex 20:17 *Thou shall not covet.***
- **David broke the 6<sup>th</sup> commandment Ex 20:3 *thou shall not murder.***
- **David broke the 7<sup>th</sup> commandment Ex 20:1 *thou shall not commit adultery.***

David should have protected his people; instead, David takes advantage of a woman and her husband.

David had a passion for true justice for someone else, but not when it came to himself.

**What sin makes you angry and judgmental, but you are doing it? Where are you being hypocritical?**

**Vs 7-15** God is the source of everything good in our lives. God has given us a lot. When we turn to other gods or to ourselves instead of God, we are betraying what is good and God Himself.

**David had so much and he traded it for adultery, coveting, and murder. God loves and forgives us, He is slow to anger, but there are consequences for sin.**

**Exodus 34:6-9** *"The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, 7 keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation."* 8 *And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth and worshiped.* 9 *And he said, "If now I have found favor in your sight, O Lord, please let the Lord go in the midst of us, for it is a stiff-necked people, and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for your inheritance."*

**David repents. But David will have to deal with the consequences of his sin. He will not die, but:**

- **The sword will not leave David's house;**
- **Evil will be raised up in his own house;**
- **David will lose his wives;**
- **David will be embarrassed and lose his good reputation, and it will be replaced with shame;**
- **David will lose his son who was born from sin.**
- **David was lazy, David took another man's wife, David thought he would cover his sin and kill Uriah.**

**What sin are you continuing to do and life is hard because you refuse to repent, turn away from your sin, and turn back to God?**

*1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

**Vs 16-23** David was going to lose his child conceived in sin.

God would forgive him. God would show mercy later and give him more children. God would have mercy on this child. God would send our Savior through this line.

**Romans 6:23** *For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

**Sin hurts us. Sin hurts those around us. Sin kills. God forgives, but there are consequences for our sin. What sin do you need to confess and turn away from? What sin have you continued in that you are dealing with the consequences of? Will you turn away from that sin and give it to Jesus?**

**Matt 1:6** *And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah.....*

God showed His mercy through David. Through faith in Jesus, we are saved. David said he would see his child in heaven later, but David would deal with the consequences of his sin.

**What sin are you dealing with now?**

**What consequences are you dealing with from your sin?**

**Are you willing to repent now and leave that sin and run to God?**

**Are you forsaking the Word of God or living by the Word of God now?**

**Romans 5:1-5** *Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. 3 Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, 4 and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, 5 and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.*