

You are the man!

2 Samuel 11:1-4; 12:1-23

HALL OF FAITH (Hebrews 11:32)

- Why is David in the Hall of Faith?
- How is David a man after God's own heart?

DAVID'S SIN(s)

- A. *Saw, good, took* (Genesis 6:2; 12:14,15; 16:1-5; Exodus 2:1-9; Joshua 7:20-21; Judges 14:1-3; 2 Samuel 11:2-4).
- B. The beginning of the end. The Davidic dynasty needed to be redeemed after this (see Isaiah 11:1-3).

DAVID'S BLINDNESS

- A. Nathan's parable (2 Samuel 12:1-4).
- B. David's judgment (2 Samuel 12:5-12).

DAVID "SEES" HIS SIN

- A. "I have sinned against the LORD" (2 Samuel 12:13).
- B. The consequences for David's sin were severe, lifelong, his sin impacted his family for generations, and the kingdom (2 Samuel 12:10-12,14; cf. Romans 5:12-21).
- The sword will never depart from your house (2 Samuel 11:10).
 - Out of your own household I am going to bring calamity upon you (v.11).
 - Before your very eyes I will take your wives and give them to one who is close to you, and he will lie with your wives in broad daylight (v.11).
 - the son born to you will die (v.14).
- C. When you are tempted to look at, think about, or reach for the passing pleasures of sin, meditate long on the bitter consequences.
1. David's son, Amnon, raped his half-sister, Tamar (2 Samuel 13:1-23).
 2. Absalom, the son of one of David's wives, had Amnon killed when his heart was merry with wine. (2 Samuel 13:24-39).
 3. Absalom rebelled against David (2 Samuel 15), and slept with David's concubines "in the sight of all Israel" (2 Samuel 16:22).
 4. David's son, Absalom, was killed (2 Samuel 18).
 5. David's son, Adonijah, tried making himself king after Solomon had been chosen (1 Kings 1).

THE BLESSEDNESS OF REPENTANCE AND GOD'S FORGIVENESS

- A. It's not a mercy thinking that you got away with sin. It's a mercy being "caught" and "convicted."
- B. David is a man after God's own heart not because of his self-righteousness. David was a man after God's own heart because he shepherds and leads us in the way of repentance (Psalm 32; 51).
- C. David's sin, his repentance, and God's forgiveness becomes the great Old Testament example of justification by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone (Romans 4:5-8 with Psalm 32:1-2; Psalm 51:4 with Romans 3:4).

LET GO OF YOUR SIN AND HOLD ON TO JESUS, DAVID'S GREATER SON (John 3:16; 6:29)

QUESTIONS FOR SABBATH DISCUSSION & MEDITATION

Pray that God would help you to see and repent of your blind spots. Pray that God would help you to see the bitterness of sin and its consequences. Pray that the Word of God would always be living and active in your life and heart (Hebrews 4:12; 12:1-4).

Discuss the passages of scripture mentioned in the sermon that describe sin as "seeing," "good," and "taking." Read Genesis 6:2; 12:14,15; 16:1-5; Exodus 2:1-9

Who was the prophet God sent to David?

Retell from memory the parable God's prophet told David.

How do some people respond when told that they have sinned?

Do you listen with conviction to the Word of God?

Did David get away with adultery and murder?

Where in the Bible is the "Hall of Faith" found?

Why is God's justifying David a greater work than when David killed Goliath?

Come up with your own question from the sermon to discuss with others.

Prayerfully read Psalm 32 and Psalm 51.