

GOD'S HEART AND SINNER'S HEART

2 Samuel 11:1-12:31

Key verse 12:8c-9a

“And if all this had been too little, I would have given you even more.
Why did you despise the word of the Lord by doing what is evil in his eyes?”

Discussion questions:

- How does this passage reveal the gospel?

Inductive study questions:

1. Read verses 11:1-5. What should David have been doing at this time? What temptation was David faced with? What should have stopped David in his tracks? What complicated the issue of David's sin?
2. Read verses 11:6-27. In what ways was David trying to cover up his sin? How did it only make things worse? Were there any moments when David could have stopped sinning? What shows Uriah's integrity?
3. Read verse 12:1-12. How did the Lord intervene? What was Nathan's story and what did it arouse in David? How did Nathan confront him? What ways had David despised the word of the Lord, as well as the Lord himself? What consequences of his sin did God pronounce on him?
4. Read verses 12:13-31. What remarkable confession did David make? How did David express his confession? (cf. Ps 51) What assurance did Nathan give him? What were the dire consequences of David's sin? What can we learn about how costly sin is? (James 1:15) What shows his heart had been restored after repentance and God's forgiveness? How does this passage reveal the gospel? How did use David's sin to reveal the gospel of His grace? (Ro 4:6-8; Mt 1:1,6)