

May 13/Day 133

2 Samuel 11

Verse 1

- What time reference is used in this paragraph?
- What does it tell us about this time period? Does this make sense? In what way?

Verses 2-5

- What time reference is mentioned in this paragraph? How is it different from the time reference mentioned above?
- What did David see when he was walking on the roof? How did she look? Who was she?
- What did David do after he made inquiry of her? Was David married? Was Bathsheba married?
- What happened after David and Bathsheba lied together?
- According to verse 1 in the paragraph above, where should David have been instead of walking along his roof?

Verses 6-13

- Why do you think David sent Uriah home from the battlefield at this time? What do you think he hoped would happen with Uriah and his wife?
- Where did Uriah sleep rather than going to his house when he had the opportunity? Why did he do this?

Verses 14-21

- Where did David tell Joab to place Uriah in battle? Why?
- David didn't commit murder with his own hands, but is he guilty of this man's death in any way? What would we call this crime?
- What were Joab's instructions to the messenger?
- David went out of his way to keep his secret; therefore, do you find it ironic all the world now knows about this moral failure?
- What is the application for us?

Verses 22-25

- What was David's response to Joab's message?

Verses 26-27

- What happened to Bathsheba after Uriah died?
- What did God think about all this?

2 Samuel 12

Verses 1-6

- Have you ever used a story as an example to get your point across? Jesus did this all the time.
- How did David feel about the rich man who took the one little ewe lamb from the poor man? Recount his words.

Verses 7-15a

- Who was the rich man who took the poor man's little ewe lamb?
- Recount all the things God has done for David.
- What does verse 9 say he had done in regard to the word of the LORD? What had he done in His sight? So adultery is evil in His sight?
- What does verse 10 say David had done to the LORD? But, David's sin was against Uriah, wasn't it?
- Or was it? Look at verse 13?
- We have already talked about this, but what does He say in verse 12?
- What does Nathan tell him will happen to the child conceived in adultery?

Verses 15b-20

- Who struck the child ill? But, God doesn't do bad things, does He?
- Did God answer David's prayer and restore the child to health?
- What did the servants think David would do to himself when he heard about the death of the child?
- But how did David respond when he found out?

Verses 21-23

- Did his actions seem backwards? How did he explain them?

Verses 24-25

- What was the name of David and Bathsheba's second son?

Verses 26-31

- In the meantime, what was Joab doing?
- What did they do with the crown?
- Here is an explanation from Barnes commentary in regard to passing through the brickkiln:

“Made them pass through the brick-kiln - The phrase is that always used of the cruel process of making their children pass through the fire to Moloch, and it is likely that David punished this idolatrous practice by inflicting something similar upon the worshippers of Moloch. The cruelty of these executions belongs to the barbarous manners of the age, and was provoked by the conduct of the Ammonites [2 Samuel 10:1-4](#); [1 Samuel 11:1-2](#), but is utterly indefensible under the light of the Gospel. If Rabbah was taken before David's penitence, he may have been in an unusually harsh and severe frame of mind. The unpleasant recollection of Uriah's death would be likely to sour and irritate him to the utmost.”

1 Chronicles 20

Verses 1-3

- This is the parallel passage to 2 Samuel 11.

Verses 4-8

- This paragraph is not parallel to 2 Samuel 11. Why do you think these details are mentioned in this book (the book of the Chronicles of the kings) and not in 2 Samuel?
- “Now it came about after...” what?
- Of whom does it say Sippai is a descendant?
- Do you remember Goliath’s nationality? Now just because this passage says he was a Gittite does not contradict or nullify that he was a Philistine. A Gittite is an inhabitant of Gath.
- Who did Elhanan kill?
- Is it possible for a man to be born with six fingers and six toes on each hand or foot?
- Shimea was David’s brother, so this Jonathan is David’s nephew.

See you tomorrow.