

Christ the King Kid's Notes

"Mercy Triumphs over Judgement"

2 Samuel 24: 1-17

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Why would the author of the book of Samuel end the biography of David on a moral failure?

I. David's Sin

1. _____: Numbers can easily become our identity

'By numbering the people for military purposes, David showed lack of trust in the Lord to supply the necessary men when needed, and wrongful pride in the hundreds of thousands of forces at his command'
(ESV Study Note)

2. Power: 1.3 million "sword-drawing men" (v.9)

Psalm 20:7 "Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God."

3. Temptation: God always provides a way of _____!

1 Corinthians 10:13

Both times David was about to sin, God sent a servant to warn him and try to stop him!

4. The Folly of Sin: "I have acted very _____" (10)

David is Stubborn and Set on Sinning (and so are we)[4]

5. The wages of sin is _____ . [8]

"Each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully-grown brings forth death."
James 1:15

We grossly underestimate the devastation of our _____!

6. Sin Leads to Division (Racism and Tribalism)

(9)

II. David's Sanctification- Growth in Christ-Likeness

(1) David was quicker to _____!

He repented before he was "caught."

(2) Growth in Sensitivity to Sin: "His heart struck him"

(3) Growth in _____—I've acted like a fool! (10)

(4) Submissive to God's _____ (v. 11-12)

(5) Submissive to God's Messenger—Do you shoot the messenger or hear the message?

(6) David Submits to God's Righteous Judgment (13)

Either you can choose...

1. 3 years of famine = Recession (today)

2. 3 months of Military Invasion and Defeat

3. 3 days of Plague that will wipe out your army

God is smashing their cultural idols. It's a severe mercy!

David chooses the 3rd option to fall into the hand of the LORD, for his mercy is great!

(7) David has a sophisticated view of God. He knows

that his sin deserves God's judgment and he also knows that God's "mercies are so many!"

(8) David owns his sin. "Behold, I have sinned, and I have done _____" (17)

III. David's _____

"Strike the Shepherd and spare the sheep" (v. 17)

"It is I, the shepherd, who did evil. But these sheep, what have they done?" (17)

Justice and Love met on the _____! That's

ultimately how mercy triumphed over judgment.

O, the freedom that comes from knowing "I'm a sinner saved by grace."