

# FAITHFUL MEN



## 2 Samuel 13

Who doesn't experience some dysfunction in their own family? As highlighted in this chapter, David's family was not without their issues.

The unavoidable issue in this chapter is that sin has its ramifications:

- Sin leads in some way to death. The death is sometimes fleeting or at times long lasting.
- Something dies, as a result of sin
  - A relationship (marriage, friendship etc.)
  - One's credibility
  - Mutual trust
  - Perhaps a Dream
  - Perhaps an opportunity
  - Perhaps hope
  - On some level confidence
- Sin can and does make its way through the whole "batch of dough".
- Sin produces consequences not punishment.
- We reap what we sow.
- Amnon's sin hurt his sister Tamar on multiple levels.
- Absalom, Amnon and David were never the same again and nor was the nation of Israel.
- One man's sin affected the entire world (Adam).
- One man's sin and unwillingness to wait on God affected the entire Middle East and the world even today (Abraham).
- One man's sin also affected an entire nation (Amnon).
- Sin does not necessarily happen in a vacuum or in a silo.

We who stop to examine ourselves from time to time do a good thing. Taking inventory of our shortcoming keeps death in check. Psalm 51 should at least be a monthly "soul washing" experience for any man willing to be honest in prayer.

I encourage you to pray through Psalm 51. Each of us are capable of any sin at any time. Let us not get puffed up.

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