

“THE PART OF DAVID’S STORY WE ALL REMEMBER”

II Samuel 11:1-27

I. INTRODUCTION:

- A. God’s Word, “nothing but the truth”:
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 - 2.
- B. Putting David and Bathsheba’s sin into perspective:
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 - 2.
 - 3.
- C. Analyzing the erosion that preceded the sin:
 - 1. Polygamy: (*II Sam. 5:12-13; II Sam. 6:22-23; Deut. 17:14-17*)
 - 2. Success and rash decisions that shifted his focus: (*II Sam. 10*) (*See also I Sam. 25:21-22*)
 - 3. Delegating God given responsibilities: v. 1
 - 4. Misuse of leisure: v. 1 (*See II Sam. 11:1*)

II. LUST, TAKING GODLY DESIRES OUTSIDE GOD’S BOUNDARIES:

- A. The setup: v. 1 (*See Ja. 1:14-16; I Cor. 10:12*)
 - 1.
 - 2.
- B. The bait: v. 2 (*See chart in back*)
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 - 2.
 - 3.
- C. The willful choice: v. 4
- D. The consequence: v. 5
- E. The coverup: vv. 6-27
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III. PRINCIPLES TO PERSONALLY APPLY:

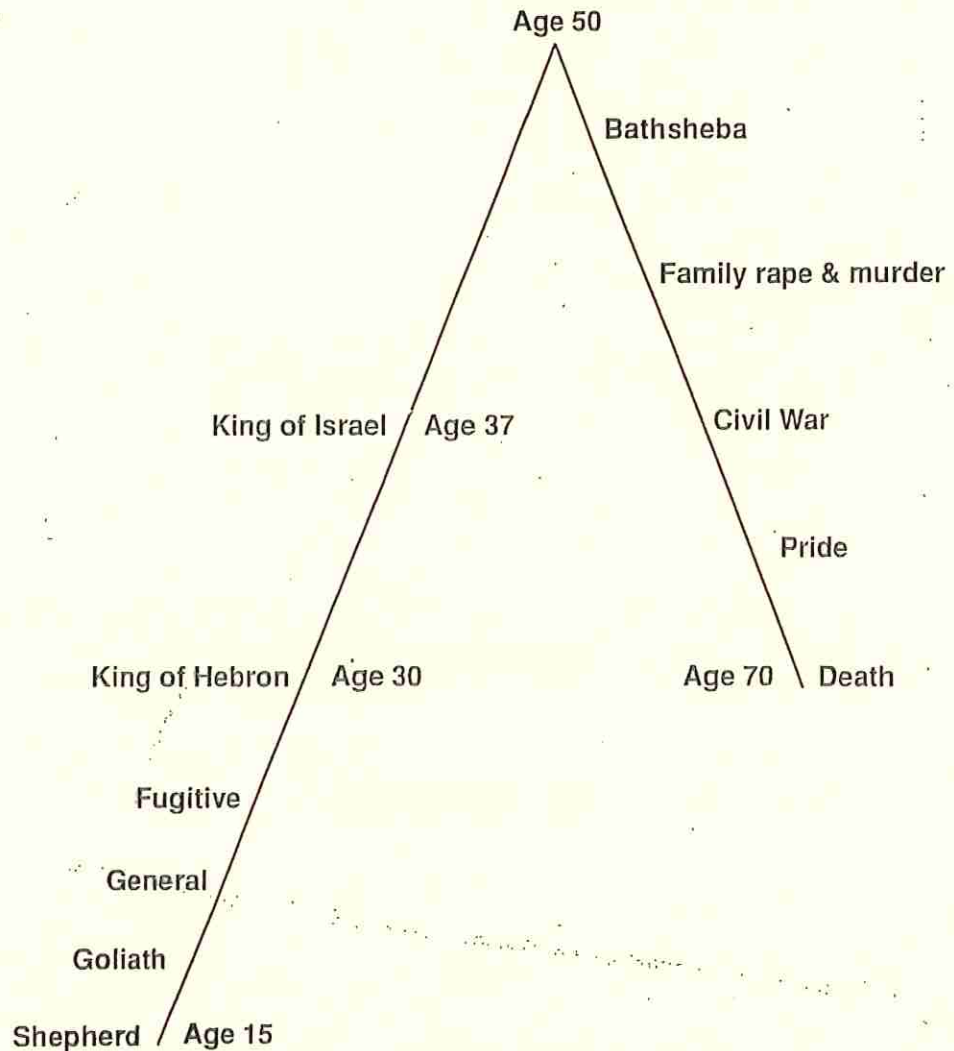
(Together becoming “people of the Word” in principle AND in practice)

- A.
- B.
- C.

SINNERS PRAYER

Dear Heavenly Father, I was made by you and I was made for you, but I have been living for myself. I am sorry for that self-rule you call sin. I believe that Jesus Christ being my creator God, died, was buried, and rose again to pay the insurmountable debt that my sin has created since birth. So right now, I am turning from a life of going my own way, to by faith, place my trust in Jesus Christ, to pay the debt of all my sin, and to get me to heaven, when I breathe my last breath. Lord Jesus, from today on, I am yours. Thanks for saving me, this very moment, in Jesus name, amen.

DAVID'S TIME LINE



"In our members there is a slumbering inclination toward desire which is both sudden and fierce. With irresistible power, desire seizes mastery of the flesh. All at once a secret smoldering fire is kindled. The flesh burns and is in flames. It makes no difference if it is a sexual desire, ambition, vanity, revenge, love of fame or power, or greed for money. At this moment God is quite unreal to us. He loses all reality and only the desire for the creature is real. The only reality is the devil. The devil doesn't fill us with hatred for God but with forgetfulness of God. The lust, thus aroused, envelopes the mind and the will of man in deepest darkness. The power of clear discrimination and discernment are taken from us. Two questions present themselves as, "Is what the flesh desires really sin in this case?" and "Is it not permitted of me, yes, expected of me now and here in my particular situation to appease the desire?" It is here when everything within me rises up against the Word of God. Therefore the Bible teaches that at times of temptation in the flesh, there is but one command. Flee fornication, flee adultery, flee youthful lusts, flee the lusts of the world. There is no resistance to Satan in lust other than flight. Every struggle against lust in one's own strength is doomed to failure. If you do not run you will fall. It is only a matter of time." *Dietrich Bonhoeffer*