

Address the Mess – Part 2 – Wisdom in the Mess Mark Rouse – mark@epicchurchbuffalo.com April 23, 2017

FROM MESS TO MESSIER

Later, when Bathsheba discovered that she was pregnant, she sent David a message, saying, "I'm pregnant." – 2 Samuel 11:5

26 When Uriah's wife heard that her husband was dead, she mourned for him. **27** When the period of mourning was over, David sent for her and brought her to the palace, and she became one of his wives. Then she gave birth to a son. But the Lord was displeased with what David had done. – 2 Samuel 11:26-27

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✓ PRIDE.

Pride leads to disgrace, but with humility comes wisdom.
- Proverbs 11:2

✓ DECEIT.

The Lord detests lying lips, but he delights in those who tell the truth. – Proverbs 12:22

People with integrity walk safely, but those who follow crooked paths will be exposed. – Proverbs 10:9

✓ FOOLISHNESS.

Fools think their own way is right, but the wise listen to others.

– Proverbs 12:15

A YOUNGER, WISER DAVID

3 At the place where the road passes some sheepfolds, Saul went into a cave to relieve himself. But as it happened, David and his men were hiding farther back in that very cave!

4 "Now's your opportunity!" David's men whispered to him. "Today the Lord is telling you, 'I will certainly put your enemy into your power, to do with as you wish." So David crept forward and cut off a piece of the hem of Saul's robe.

5 But then David's conscience began bothering him because he had cut Saul's robe. **6** He said to his men, "The Lord forbid that I should do this to my lord the king. I shouldn't attack the Lord's anointed one, for the Lord himself has chosen him." **7** So David restrained his men and did not let them kill Saul. – 1 Samuel 24:3-7

THE BEST QUESTION EVER

✓ What's the WISE THING to do?

25 Look straight ahead, and fix your eyes on what lies before you.
26 Mark out a straight path for your feet; stay on the safe path.
27 Don't get sidetracked; keep your feet from following evil.
Proverbs 4:25-27