

Booty Call Gone Bad!

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*After removing Saul, He made David their king. God testified concerning him:
"I have found David son of Jesse, **a man after my own heart**;
he will do everything I want him to do." From this man's descendants God has
brought to Israel the Savior Jesus, as he promised.*

A Booty Call is

A **meeting** to have casual sex, usually initiated by a phone call or text message,
etc.

A **person** who you have no emotional attachment to, who is used only for sexual
encounters.

If David, a man after God's own heart can fall, so can you.

SCENE ONE: BOOTY CALL

*In the spring, **at the time when kings go off to war**, David sent Joab out with the
king's men and the whole Israelite army. They destroyed the Ammonites and
besieged Rabbah. **But David remained in Jerusalem.***

*One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the
palace. From the roof **he saw** a woman bathing. The woman was very beautiful,
and **David sent** someone to find out about her. The man said, "She is Bathsheba,
the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite."*

*Then **David sent** messengers to get her. She came to him, and **he slept with her**.
(Now she was purifying herself from her monthly uncleanness.) Then she went
back home. The woman conceived and sent word to David, saying, "**I am
pregnant.**" **2 Samuel 11:1-5 (NIV)***

SCENE TWO: COLD-BLOODED

*In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it with Uriah. In it he
wrote, "Put Uriah out in front where the fighting is fiercest. Then withdraw from
him **so he will be struck down and die.**"*

*So while Joab had the city under siege, he put Uriah at a place where he knew
the strongest defenders were. When the men of the city came out and fought
against Joab, some of the men in David's army fell; moreover, **Uriah the Hittite
died.** **2 Samuel 11:14-17***

SCENE THREE: GOD DON'T LIKE UGLY

When Uriah's wife heard that her husband was dead, she mourned for him. After the time of mourning was over, David had her brought to his house, and she became his wife and bore him a son. But the thing David had done displeased the Lord. 2 Samuel 11:26-27 (NIV)

SCENE FOUR: BUSTED!

The Lord sent Nathan to David. When he came to him, he said, "There were two men in a certain town, one rich and the other poor. The rich man had a very large number of sheep and cattle, but the poor man had nothing except one little ewe lamb he had bought. He raised it, and it grew up with him and his children. It shared his food, drank from his cup and even slept in his arms. It was like a daughter to him.

"Now a traveler came to the rich man, but the rich man refrained from taking one of his own sheep or cattle to prepare a meal for the traveler who had come to him. Instead, he took the ewe lamb that belonged to the poor man and prepared it for the one who had come to him."

David burned with anger against the man and said to Nathan, "As surely as the Lord lives, the man who did this must die! He must pay for that lamb four times over, because he did such a thing and had no pity." Then Nathan said to David, "You are the man! 2 Samuel 12:1-7a (NIV)

SCENE FIVE: CONSEQUENCES

This is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: 'I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you from the hand of Saul. I gave your master's house to you, and your master's wives into your arms. I gave you all Israel and Judah. And if all this had been too little, I would have given you even more.

Why did you despise the word of the Lord by doing what is evil in his eyes? You struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and took his wife to be your own. You killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now, therefore, the sword will never depart from your house, because you despised me and took the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your own.'

"This is what the Lord says: 'Out of your own household I am going to bring calamity on you. Before your very eyes I will take your wives and give them to one who is close to you, and he will sleep with your wives in broad daylight. You did it in secret, but I will do this thing in broad daylight before all Israel.'" Then David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord."

2 Samuel 12: 7b-13 (NIV)

Eight Things We Can Learn From David's Sin

1. We are most vulnerable to sin when we are not where we are supposed to be – or not doing what we are supposed to be doing.
2. What we do in the dark will come to light.
3. Trying to cover up our sin only makes things worse.
4. One sin often leads to another.
5. Nothing is hidden from God. Even if no one else is aware, God is aware.
6. It is easier to be outraged at someone else's sin than my own.
7. Sin always has consequences.
8. Heartfelt repentance is the only appropriate response to sin.

Have mercy on me, O God, because of your unfailing love. Because of your great compassion, blot out the stain of my sins. Wash me clean from my guilt.

Purify me from my sin. For I recognize my rebellion; it haunts me day and night. Against you, and you alone, have I sinned; I have done what is evil in your sight. You will be proved right in what you say, and your judgment against me is just.

Purify me from my sins, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Oh, give me back my joy again; you have broken me now let me rejoice. Don't keep looking at my sins. Remove the stain of my guilt.

Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me. Do not banish me from your presence, and don't take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and make me willing to obey you.

Psalm 51:1-4, 7-12 (NLT)