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David and Bathsheba

2 Samuel 12:1-14

And the Lord sent Nathan to David. He came to him and said to him, “There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds, but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. And he brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children. It used to eat of his morsel and drink from his cup and lie in his arms, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveler to the rich man, and he was unwilling to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the guest who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb and prepared it for the man who had come to him.” Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man, and he said to Nathan, “As the Lord lives, the man who has done this deserves to die, and he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.”

Nathan said to David, “You are the man! Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, ‘I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you out of the hand of Saul. And I gave you your master's house and your master's wives into your arms and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah. And if this were too little, I would add to you as much more. Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and have taken his wife to be your wife and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised me and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.’ Thus says the Lord, ‘Behold, I will raise up evil against you out of your own house. And I will take your wives before your eyes and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this sun. For you did it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel and before the sun.’” David said to Nathan, “I have sinned against the Lord.” And Nathan said to David, “The Lord also has put away your sin; you shall not die. Nevertheless, because by this deed you have utterly scorned the Lord the child who is born to you shall die.”

Was David able to keep what he done a secret? Why or why not? Who always knows what we have done?

David faced consequences for his sin. All sin has harmful consequences. Read Romans 5:12. Who has

sinned? What happens to everyone that sins?

Have you ever realized that you are a sinner? If so, when did you first realize this? Did you know that your sin offends God, and that death (eternal separation from God) is the consequence for your sin?

Like all men, David sinned, and it is one of his descendants who came along to pay the penalty for that sin.

Read 2 Samuel 7:11-12. What promise did God make to David?

Read Matthew 21:9-10. Who is this descendant of David?

Read Matthew 16:15-16 . Jesus is the Son of David, but he is also the Son of...? Write down your answer.

Jesus, being the Son of David, was fully human, but coming from heaven He was also fully God.

As promised, Jesus will sit on the throne to reign over all of the Earth forever. The first time he came to Earth though, he died. Why did Jesus die? Check out 1 Peter 3:18 for the answer. Is he still dead?

Listen carefully as Ranger Cole is about to share with you how to take the important step of beginning a relationship with Jesus Christ. We hope you will pray to make Jesus the Lord of your life and ask Him to forgive you of your sin if you never have before. If you have questions about this at the end of the video please talk to your parents or someone older who you know is a Christian.