

THE RISE AND FALL OF
DAVID

His Rebellion: Blatant Sin with Bathsheba & Uriah





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...you will find that anything or nothing is sufficient to attract his wandering attention. You no longer need a good book, which he really likes, to keep him from his prayers or his work or his sleep; a column of advertisements in yesterday's paper will do. You can make him waste his time not only in conversation he enjoys with people whom he likes, but in conversations with those he cares nothing about on subjects that bore him. You can make him do nothing at all for long periods...



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..You will say that these are very small sins; and doubtless, like all young tempters, you are anxious to be able to report spectacular wickedness. But do remember, the only thing that matters is the extent to which you separate the man from the Enemy. It does not matter how small the sins are provided that their cumulative effect is to edge the man away from the Light and out into the Nothing.



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Murder is no better than cards if cards can do the trick. Indeed the safest road to Hell is the gradual one—the gentle slope, soft underfoot, without sudden turnings, without milestones, without signposts...

Your affectionate uncle,
SCREWTAPE

- C.S. LEWIS



2 SAMUEL 11:1 ^{NIV}

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.



2 SAMUEL 11:2-3 ^{NIV}

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, ³ 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.”



1 KINGS 15:5 ^{NIV}

For David had done what was right in the eyes of the LORD and had not failed to keep any of the LORD's commands all the days of his life—except in the case of Uriah the Hittite.



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URIAH THE HITTITE

2 SAMUEL 23:8a, 39a

These are the names of David's mighty warriors: ...

³⁹ and Uriah the Hittite...

Foreigner whose name means
"Yahweh is my light"



BATHSHEBA

2 SAMUEL 11:3b

The man said, “She is Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite.”

Wife of Uriah the Hittite, mighty man

Daughter of Eliam, mighty man

Granddaughter of Ahithophel, counsel to the king



2 SAMUEL 11:4-5 ^{NIV}

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. ⁵ The woman conceived and sent word to David, saying, “I am pregnant.”



HE SAW
HE DESIRED
HE TOOK

GENESIS 3:6 ^{NIV}

When the woman **saw** that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also **desirable** for gaining wisdom, she **took** some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

JAMES 1:14-15 ^{NIV}

...but each person is **tempted** when they are dragged away by their own evil **desire** and enticed. ¹⁵ Then, after desire has conceived, **it gives birth to sin**; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death.



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2 SAMUEL 11:8a, 11 ^{NIV}

Then David said to Uriah, “Go down to your house and wash your feet...”

¹¹ Uriah said to David, “The ark and Israel and Judah are staying in tents, and my commander Joab and my lord’s men are camped in the open country. How could I go to my house to eat and drink and make love to my wife? As surely as you live, I will not do such a thing!”



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Uriah drunk proved to be a better man than
David sober.

- WARREN WIERSBE



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David's adultery with Bathsheba was a sin of passion, a sin of the moment that overtook him, but his sin of having Uriah killed was a premeditated crime that was deliberate and disgraceful.

- WARREN WIERSBE



2 SAMUEL 11:15-17 ^{NIV}

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.”

¹⁶ So while Joab had the city under siege, he put Uriah at a place where he knew the strongest defenders were. ¹⁷ 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 11:19-20, 24 ^{NIV}

He instructed the messenger: “When you have finished giving the king this account of the battle, ²⁰ the king’s anger may flare up, and he may ask you, ‘Why did you get so close to the city to fight? Didn’t you know they would shoot arrows from the wall?’”

²⁴ “Then the archers shot arrows at your servants from the wall, and some of the king’s men died. Moreover, your servant Uriah the Hittite is dead.”



2 SAMUEL 1:11-12 ^{NIV}

Then David and all the men with him took hold of their clothes and tore them. ¹² They mourned and wept and fasted till evening for Saul and his son Jonathan, and for the army of the LORD and for the nation of Israel, because they had fallen by the sword.



2 SAMUEL 11:25 ^{NIV}

David told the messenger, “Say this to Joab: ‘Don’t let this upset you; the sword devours one as well as another. Press the attack against the city and destroy it.’ Say this to encourage Joab.”



2 SAMUEL 11:26-27 ^{NIV}

When Uriah's wife heard that her husband was dead, she mourned for him. ²⁷ 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.



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People don't suddenly fall.
They suddenly get found out.

- ROBERT CUPP



SELAH

2 SAMUEL 11:27b ^{NIV}

But the thing David had done displeased the LORD.

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2 SAMUEL 11:27b ^{NIV}

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What have you done that displeases the Lord?