

“But the Thing That David Had Done Displeased the LORD” (Part 1)
2 Samuel 11:1-27

“One of the great deceptions of Satan is to encourage us to take physical danger more seriously than spiritual danger; to take our physical health more seriously than our spiritual health; to love temporal reward more than eternal reward.”

“Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses them and forsakes them will obtain mercy. Blessed is the one who fears the LORD always, but whoever hardens his heart will fall into calamity.” (Proverbs 28:13-14)

*“He who commits adultery lacks sense; he who does it **destroys himself**. He will get wounds and dishonor, and **his disgrace will not be wiped away.**” (Proverbs 6:32-33)*

- *The Danger of Idleness: (2 Samuel 11:1-2)*
 - Idleness: Any activity that has no real purpose in growing our affections for God. (1 Corinthians 10:31)
 - **In the Spring** the weather was favorable, travel was easier, and food was more abundant, so that is when kings would start their military campaigns (1 Kings 20:22-26).

- *The Danger of Sin: (2 Samuel 11:3-5)*
 - The three steps of sin (James 1:14-15)
 - “See” — “Desire” — “Take”
 - This portion of Scripture shows us how quickly temptation can overtake us (1 Samuel 24:6; 26:9-10; 2 Samuel 8:15).
 - The phrase “*David sent messengers and took her*” leads the reader to believe that this was not mutual on Bathsheba’s end.

- *The Danger of Hardening Your Heart: (2 Samuel 11:6-27)*
 - David is seemingly working through the Ten Commandments as his heart becomes more and more hardened....
 - You shall not covet your neighbor's wife (2 Samuel 11:3-4).
 - You shall not commit adultery (2 Samuel 11:4).
 - You shall not bear false witness (2 Samuel 11:11).
 - You shall not murder (2 Samuel 11:15).
 - David has become exactly like Saul. Seeking to take the life of an “innocent man” (1 Samuel 19:4-6).
 - Whenever we sin, someone will die for that sin, and sometimes multiple people will die because of our sin (Romans 5:8; 6:23; 2 Samuel 11:16-17).

Announcements:

★**COMMUNION:** We will be partaking of and celebrating communion together THIS Sunday, November 5th.

★**FELLOWSHIP DINNER:** We are having a Fellowship Dinner THIS Sunday, November 5th, immediately following the worship service. This Fellowship Dinner will be a Chili Cook-off! There is a sign-up list on the table in the entryway, please sign-up to bring something to the dinner. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the dinner and fellowship with us!

★**DONATIONS:** Throughout the month of November we are collecting monetary donations for the Lambs. The Lambs live and serve in Papua New Guinea, working to translate the Bible into the multiple native languages of that region. There is a container on the back table for your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that it is for the Lambs. Currently, the Lambs' budget is 91% funded. They are still seeking 9% of their budget, which is \$990 per month. (This budget is set for them by Wycliffe Bible Translators, and it is fine-tuned to allow them to live and work for a 3-year term in PNG.) A monthly gift of \$110 will cover 1% of our budget. If you are interested in partnering with their ministry, talk to one of the elders and they will get you the necessary information.

★**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** The monthly men's breakfast is scheduled for Saturday, November 11th, at 8am, at Panther Pizza (2448 W High St NE). There will be breakfast pizza and other breakfast items. \$12 per person. Let Mike know by Wednesday, November 8th, if you're coming in order to get adequate supplies. (614-477-3330)

★**FRIENDSGIVING:** Mark your calendars — our annual Friendsgiving Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, November 18th, at 5:30pm, in the Fellowship Hall! The church is providing the turkey and the ham, we just need volunteers who are willing to prepare them! There is a sign-up list on the table in the entryway, please sign-up to bring a side dish, a dessert, or to prepare the turkey or ham! We invite everyone to join us for the Friendsgiving Dinner and plan on staying for fellowship and games! If you have any questions, please see Emily Decker. (740-975-9251)