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Lessons for Today

AM: Brian Mitchell
"Lessons From
Nathan's Rebuke of
David"
2 Samuel 12:1-5

PM: Brian Mitchell
"The Word (Pt. 2)"
John 1:4, 12-13, 18

Lessons from Nathan's Rebuke of David

Most Christians and even many non-Christians are familiar with the tragic story of David and Bathsheba. David was the King of Israel and one evening while his army was off to war David took a walk upon his roof top and he saw a beautiful woman (Bathsheba) bathing. After then being informed that she was the wife of Uriah he had her brought to him and then proceeded to have sexual relations with her.

After then being informed that she was with child David first sent for her husband and tried to get her husband to have relations with his wife so that it would be thought that the child was his. However, Uriah did not think it right for his fellow soldiers to be sleeping in tents away from their wives while he had the opportunity to be with his; thus he refused to go to his house. Thus, David was forced to come up with a Plan B.

So he sent Uriah back to the war with a note to his commander Joab that he be sent to the front of the hottest battle and then left on his own so that he would be killed, which is what happened. So then after Uriah was killed, David took Bathsheba and made her his wife, so that he could conceal the fact the he had fathered a child through an adulterous relationship.

But this deceitful treachery led to a reaction from God because "the thing that David had done displeased¹ the LORD" (2 SAM.11:27). God was angry with David because of this heinous act he had committed. And so God responded with the following, "Then the LORD sent Nathan to David. And he came to him, and said to him: "There were two men in one city, one rich and the other poor. ²The rich man had exceedingly many flocks and herds. ³But the poor man had nothing, except one little ewe lamb which he had bought and nourished; and it grew up together with him and with his children. It ate of his own food and drank from his own cup and lay in his bosom; and it was like a daughter to him. ⁴And a traveler came to the rich man, who refused to take from his own flock and from his own herd to prepare one for the wayfaring man who had come to him; but he took the poor man's lamb and prepared it for the man who had come to him" (2 Sam12:1-4).

Why is this story of sin and betrayal included in the biblical record? It is because of the fact that there are some important spiritual lessons that might be learned by this story. This is what the NT promises would be true of the OT--1 Cor.10:11-12, Rom.15:4. Thus, even though it is an ugly story about the tragic consequences of sin, it is a story that is profitable for us in that we can learn some valuable lessons not only from David's mistakes and how he deals with them. We can also learn some lessons from Nathan's rebuke of David.

The Bible is in part a historical record of God and man. How men responded to God and the consequences and how God responded to man. Thus, it is true that those in the Bible serve as illustrations for us so that we might improve our own relationship with God and be able to help others do the same. Such is certainly true of the lessons we learn from Nathan's rebuke of David.

Brian Mitchell

Worship Times

Sunday

Bible Class: 9:00 am
AM Worship: 10:00 am
PM Worship: 6:00 pm

Wednesday

Bible Study: 7:00 pm

For the Record

Sunday Class: 111
Sunday AM: 173
Sunday PM: 55
Wednesday PM: 83
Contribution: \$4057
Budget: \$4464

Think on This...

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.

1 John 4:18

Celebrating This Week...

Birthday

Linda Essner: 05.23
Wally Eck: 05.27
Lizzie Mitchell: 05.27

Anniversaries

Jim & Kathy Green: 05.25
Dale & Lesa Gilliland: 05.26
Brian & Eva Mitchell: 05.28

Serving This Week

Announcements: Phil Singleton

SUNDAY

Greeters: L. Dowdy

Ushers: Justin Simmons/Ron Fehr

A/V: Nate Crowden

Lead Singing: Seth Spraggs

Head Lord's Table: Ron Fehr

Scripture: Greg Dowdy

Prayers

AM: Allen Hedge/Scott Spraggs

PM: Dan Silvers/Dale Gilliland

WEDNESDAY

Lead Singing: Nick Brown

Devo: Gary Miller

Prayer: Michael Newman

Elder Chair: David Selvig

Communion to Shut-Ins: Dan Silvers

Worship Organizer: Mat Kee

Daily Bible Reading

May 22: Esther 7-10

May 23: Job 1-3

May 24: Job 4-7

May 25: Job 8-11

May 26: Job 12-14

May 27: Job 15-17

May 28: Job 18-20

Remember in Prayer

- **Susan Seabaugh** had an injection in her shoulder on Tuesday and was feeling some relief afterward. Pray for that to continue for her!
- **Jacob Luebbers** had shoulder surgery on Wednesday and is home and doing well.
- **Juanita Hedge** has been struggling with blood pressure issues recently.
- **Joy Kaye Watson** will have an outpatient procedure on Monday to remove a uterine polyp.
- Dan Silvers' older brother, **Earl Silvers** was scheduled for a heart procedure last week but was delayed due to some other health issues. Those are being resolved and his doctors are evaluating the best time to proceed with the heart issue.
- Rick Welker's mother, **Rosemund Welker**, is now receiving hospice care as she is getting weaker and is unable to eat on her own.
- Remember Kim Spraggs' sister, **Julie Kelso**, as her cancer has returned.
- Margaret Dowdy's brother-in-law, **Jerry Tesreau**, is having health issues and covets our prayers.
- Randy Seabaugh's mother, **Dorothy Seabaugh** has some upcoming tests.
- Randy and Emma Seabaugh have requested prayers for their friend, **Mark Blaylock**, who was recently diagnosed with cancer. He will begin chemo treatments soon.

Congratulations!

More congratulations are in order for the Naramore family as **Cody and Kayli** are expecting a baby GIRL in September! We look forward to welcoming a Naramore girl this fall!

Continuing Prayer Needs

****Contact the office with updates****

Tony Boyd

Thelma Brown

Frances Byers

Donna Cox

Bill Dillman

Kelly & Trudy Garland

Newt & Kay Gilliland

Wayne Graham

Allen Hedge

Tim Hosey

Diana Ivanovich

Betty Jones

David McDowell

Sid Naramore

Carolyn Neese

Lena Schweain

Susan Seabaugh

Steve Simmons

Sarah Singleton

Ethan Spraggs

Mike Turnbow

Lucky Vander

Chris Weaver

Betty Welshans

News & Notes

- Join us as we celebrate all our graduates at a potluck lunch on **Sunday, May 22** following morning services. The following high school seniors will be honored: **Taylor Fehr** (Jackson), **Destiny Meyer** (Advance), **Christopher Newman** (Jackson), **Jasmine Pfeiffer** (Jackson), **Emma Spraggs** (Jackson), **Landyn Walls** (Homeschool), **Lili Watson** (Jackson). We will also be honoring our recent COLLEGE graduates: **Katelyn Fehr** (Harding) and **Dylan Seabaugh** [SEMO (December)]. Gift bags are available on the table outside the office to drop cards or small gifts to be given at the potluck.
- The truck from Paragould Children's Homes will be here on **Tuesday May 24** to pick up. Please have all donations at the building by May 22.
- **Patrick Adam** will be speaking next **Sunday, May 29** for Bible class and both morning and evening worship services. We look forward to this encouraging time as Patrick shares lessons from God's Word.
- There will be a meeting for all **VBS TEACHERS** on **Sunday, June 5** at 5pm. Please make plans to attend.
- The annual **SEMO Children's Homes Fish Fry** will be hosted by the Dexter church of Christ on **Monday, June 6**. All are welcome to attend and meet some of the home's staff and children.
- We have scheduled our VBS this year as a one-day **VBS "Saturday Extravaganza"** on **June 18**. The theme will be "**Passport Through the Parables**". Please watch for details and sign-ups to help.
- All ladies are invited to a "**Crafternoon**" on **Saturday, June 25**. There will be a devotional time as well as finger foods and crafts! Watch for more details and see Jennifer Huskey with questions.
- There are still a few spots open for the **Branson Trip** scheduled for **June 24-26**. See Larry Dowdy for more information.



The **Marble Hill** congregation will host a **5th Sunday Singing** on **Sunday, May 29** at 1:30pm. All are invited to gather for a time of singing, encouragement, and fellowship. Desserts and homemade ice cream will be served afterward.