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The Displeasure of God

2 Samuel 11

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1. Success and idleness form the womb in which temptation gives birth to sin. (2 Samuel 11:1-5)

2. How does sin entangle us?
Plan 1: Denial and burial (2 Samuel 11:6-13)

3. How does sin entangle us?

Plan 2: Expansion (2 Samuel 11:14-25)

4. How does sin entangle us?

Plan 3: Business as usual (2 Samuel 11:26-27)

Table Talk

- 1) What ingredients formed the environment for David's adultery? (vv. 1-5)
- 2) What does it mean for a person to need "significance"? Is a lack of intimacy a good excuse for a wandering eye? Why not? How is the need for "significance" simply a fancy way of seeking to build one's own kingdom?
- 3) How does David attempt to deny and bury his sin? (vv. 6-13) How does "deny and bury" lead to a cynical life? What is the proper course for facing our past sin?
- 4) What are some ways that David expanded his sin (vv. 14-25)? Which of the ten commandments did David break in this situation?
- 5) How does David try to do "business as usual"? (v. 26-27) What is so dramatic about the last sentence of this chapter?
- 6) We tend to focus on the adultery in this chapter, but what lessons do we learn about sin in general?