

Defining Moments

David: Facing Your Worst Enemy

2 Sam 11:1-5

David's Giant...

1. Had The Power To Ensnare His Mind

"An idle mind is the devil's workshop."

When tempted, no one should say, "God is tempting me." For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone; but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. Then, after desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, gives birth to death. James 1:13-15

For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. 1 John 2:16

Adam and Eve – Genesis 3.

2. Had The Power To Erase His Reason (vs. 3b)

3. It Had The Power To Eclipse His God (vs. 4)

"Stolen waters are sweet, and bread eaten in secret is pleasant," Proverbs 9:17

What were the consequences of David yielding to this giant?

a. It Led Him on a Path of Deceit (vv 5-13)

Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah are staying in tents,^[a] 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!"

Vv. 11-12

b. It Led Him on a Path of Descent (vv 14-25)

In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it with Uriah. 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."

c. It Led Him on a Path of Despair

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. (Vs. 27)

2 Samuel 12 - God's judgement.

Then David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the LORD." (Vs. 13)