Life of David, part 2

Lesson 10

Text

2 Samuel 11

Day 1 - Recall, Read, and Listen

1. Look back to the previous lesson or teaching. Write down a few things you learned from last week. This can include any facts or findings, something taught from the teacher, a life application that challenged you, or anything else related to the study.

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2. Read and/or listen to this week's passage twice. If possible, use different translations. I highly recommend having the passage read to you. Many apps, including the Blue Letter Bible, have a feature that will read the Bible to you. Meditate and pray on the passage.

Day 2 - Unleashing the Text

3. Where was David while the Israelite army was engaged in battle against the Ammonites? (11:1) What did David observe one night from the roof of the palace? (11:2)

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4. How did David misuse his authority as king in relation to the woman he observed? (11:3–5)

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5. After David found out Bathsheba was pregnant, what did he do next? (11:6) What was David's pretext for sending for Uriah from the battlefront? (11:7)

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6. Why didn't Uriah take David up on the invitation to go to his own home? (11:9–11) What ploy did David try to get Uriah to go home to his wife? (11:13)

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7. When Uriah did not go home, what message did David send back with him to Joab? (11:14–15) How did God feel about what David had done? (11:27)

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Day 3 - Reflecting on the Text

8. The beginning of chapter 11 tells us that during the time kings went out to battle that David remained in Jerusalem. What do you think this passage is suggesting about being somewhere you're not supposed to be?

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9. Much of this passage covers sin being covered up by more sin. While the person doing this will seem to get away with it, what sentiment do you get from this passage about doubling down on sin to hide it from view?

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Day 4 - Personal Response

10. Have you ever dodged your responsibility of being somewhere you were supposed to be? Were there consequences to this? Write down a statement or a question that challenges you to be where God has purposed you to be.

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11. How can you break the cycle the next time you find yourself committing one sin to cover up another?

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Day 5 - Cross Reference

12. Read the passage in 1 Chronicles 20:1-3. What additional information did you learn about Joab's battles with Ammon and the besieged city of Rabbah?

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Day 6 - Closing Thoughts and Reflections

As you've had time to meditate on this week's passage, write down any closing thoughts and/or list ways this passage has challenged you. How are you going to take the application from Day 5 and make it a tangible application for you? What are some additional things that you'd like to share with your group? These are just a few ideas to jot down as you close out this week.

Notes from the Teaching

Teacher: _____Date:_____

Map during 2 Samuel 11. Joab's conquest of Ammon and the city of Rabbah.

