

SUMMER BIBLE JAM '18

WEEK 2

David: A Man of Clay Feet

Reading Plan

- Mon: 2 Samuel 11-12; Psalm 38
- Tues: Psalm 51; Psalm 32
- Wed: 2 Samuel 13-14
- Thurs: 2 Samuel 15-16; Psalm 3
- Fri: 2 Samuel 18-19
- Sat: 2 Samuel 22-24

Discussion Questions

- What do you notice in 2 Samuel 11 about how temptation operates and how patterns of sin develop? What measures do you take to prepare for this?
- Who have been some "Nathan"-type people in your life? (People who speak the truth and help you see your weaknesses and sin?)

- How do you see the Gospel in 2 Samuel 12? What is your current awareness of the Lord's having "put away" your sin?
- How does the reality of what David faced in his family (the stories of Amnon, Tamar, and Absalom) help prepare us for life in a fallen and broken world? What conditions or relationships in your own life did reading these stories bring to mind?
- How do the themes in David's song in 2 Samuel 22 show up in the rest of his life? If you were to write your own "life song" like this, what would be included?

Resource

The Life of David in 2 Samuel - "Tragic Hero"

"Second Samuel is the prose epic of David, telling the story of a nation led by a heroic leader. ...Readers should picture David's life as portrayed in 2 Samuel as a pyramid in which the trajectory is positive until the Bathsheba/Uriah debacle, after which David's life goes into comparative decline as the tragic consequences work themselves out. Two threads of action make up the story of David's heroic life: the public life of a king and the personal life of a family man. The literary technique of realism permeates the book as the storyteller refuses to ignore either the good or the bad aspects of the characters. As with 1 Samuel, the story rings true to human experience."

- ***ESV Study Bible***