The Thing David had Done Displeased the Lord

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A Reminder of Where We've Been

After people came into land -cycles of disobedience: Judaes^{17:6;21:25}

- People wanted monarchy Saul was chosen to deal with problems
- How can people get back into relationship w/ God like in Garden?
- Politics man's way of creating an orderly society

- took a rest from duties saw bathing beauty & didn't turn away
- David took her and committed adultery
- David sought to have Uriah cover his sin...
- Uriah's integrity wouldn't allow him to cooperate
- David fell into a plan to eliminate Uriah to cover his sin

A Letter of Death

- David sent letter to Joab by Uriah... couldn't use messenger
- David is acting like an atheist No God, no law^{Rom14:11-12}
- Joab takes care of the dirty deed17

But What About Uriah?

- Uriah was faithful ends up dead! What about promises Psal91:1-5?
- Death as part of curse is not always bad in God's eyes^{Ps116:15} Our lives brief^{Jms4:14;Ps39:5;Jb14:1} regardless of length
- Beware of performance theology good life = long life
- Believers are aliens & sojourners in this fallen world temporary Our eternal fellowship with God is to be desired Phill:21-23
- God uses events of life for His purposes^{Rom8:17,28}
- What matters is relationship with God through christ^{Rom5:1-5}
- Uriah was promoted to be w/ his God

The News is Delivered

- Joab catches importance of Uriah's death in message...
- David is callous and almost indifferent²⁵ Oh how he has fallen...
- Uriah's wife informed & mourns
- David waited prescribed time and then she becomes his wife

The Punchline

- No mention of God or His law until now God's comment²⁷
- David had told Joab to not let the matter displease him²⁵

So What?

- Don't respond with "I'm glad that I'm not like that"! Psa139:23-24 Use WLQ 98-150 to help you meditate on the law
- David's sin recorded for us so we might be careful^{Col3:5,10}
- What about God's promises^{2Sam7:16}? Are they void due to sin?
- God's promises don't rely on our goodness, but on the goodness and faithfulness of God!
- Things will get worse for kingdom... but always hope^{Amos9:11}
- Our hope relies on God's provision Isa9:6
- God used a line of sinners & outsiders to bring the Messiah Mt1:1-25
- So when you look at your messed up life have hope... not in self but in God's provision of Jesus Christ!

- God will complete what He has started in you^{Phil1:6} Simply walk in faith in God's provision^{Rom10:9-10} Confess your sins and don't depend upon your goodness but depend only on the mercy of our Gracious God^{LK18:13-14}