

Restoration

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2 Samuel 12:13-31; 1 Chronicles 20:1-3

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The Narrator Points Us to God's Grace

- 15b the son the Lord afflicted
 - 16 David seeks God in Humbleness
 - 17-18 The Servants are Perplexed
 - 19 David's Question
- 18 the son dies
 - 20 David's restoration and worship
 - 21 The Servants are Perplexed
 - 22-23 David's Answer= God's Gracious character

David Sought God

- Actions of humiliation - fasting, lying on ground
- Remember David had tried to pawn child off as Uriah's
- What were his prayers?

The Servant's Are Perplexed

- Servants shocked at David's intensity
- Worried to tell David child dead - feared self-harm

David's Question

- David senses change and asks, *is the child dead?*
- Then David arose, washed, dressed and worshiped
 - How could David worship?
 - David took only defective thing allowed into worship: *a broken and contrite heart*^{Ps51:17}
 - David understood the promised Gospel: God provides

The Servant's Are Perplexed

- They ask, "why?"

David's Answer: God's Gracious Character

- v22-23 - I presumed on God's grace while child lived
- David understood how Gracious God is – asked big!
- God didn't grant David's plea but He still granted grace
- May you know God's Gracious Character!

The Son Yahweh Loved

- David's restoration: becomes obedient servant again
- Comforts his wife – no longer Uriah's wife...
- God has granted restoration *she bore a son*^{Isa61:3}
- Sends Nathan because the Lord loved the son
- Solomon = peace; Jedidiah=Beloved of the Lord
- NO ONE is beyond God's grace

David's Return to Jerusalem

- 1 Chronicles^{20:1-3} records events of 2 Sam^{11:1-12:31}
- But skips all of David's sin
- Chronicler realizes the Lord had put away David's sin so he records events that way for returning exiles who needed hope of God's grace... Do you need that hope?