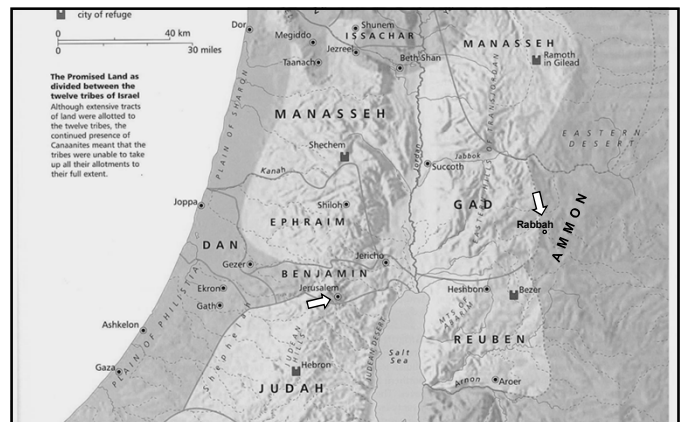


## In Search of a King 1-2 SAMUEL

## 2 Samuel 11:1-27 The King's Fall

Then it happened in the spring, at the time when kings go out *to battle*, that David sent Joab and his servants with him and all Israel, and they destroyed the sons of Ammon and besieged Rabbah. But David stayed at Jerusalem.

(2 Samuel 11:1)



<sup>14</sup> But each one is tempted when he is carried away and enticed by his own lust. <sup>15</sup> Then when lust has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and when sin is accomplished, it brings forth death. <sup>16</sup> Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren.

(James 1:14-16)

## The King's Fall

### 1. David's Initial Sin

- David's unguarded lust quickly turned to adultery
- David's "secret" sin was not without public consequence

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### 2. David's Continuing Deception

- David thought he could cover up his sin by his cleverness and control
- David did not heed the indirect reproof of a faithful life

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### 3. David's Final Cover Up

- David covered his sin at any cost, even the death of innocent lives
- David refused to see his actions as evil but continued in his blind hypocrisy

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### ➤ Lessons:

1. All of us are capable of the most egregious sins – *“let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall”* (1 Cor. 10:12)

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### ➤ Lessons:

2. We need a better King, one who is faithful always, who will establish God's kingdom... we need Messiah Jesus