
David: A Man After God's Heart

"The Slippery Slope"

2 Samuel 11

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Introduction: We have been tracing David's life as God has used him to make Israel Great.

1. David is not perfect, but the trajectory of his life has mainly been positive.
2. One of the great dangers of success and prosperity is pride and complacency.
3. None of us are immune from this, including David.
4. In our text today, we see this play out in real life.
5. We are all well aware of the danger of the slippery slope.
6. David's slide should challenge us to stay spiritually alert.

I. The Signs Of Complacency

A. Neglecting Purpose

B. Self-Satisfaction/Arrogance

II. The Fruit Of Complacency

A. Adultery

B. Coverup

C. Murder

D. More Coverup

Conclusion: It is hard to image a man after God's heart would do these things.

1. That may be why this story is recorded with all its gory details.
2. Here we see the depth of our depravity.
3. Here we see the power of sin.
4. We delude ourselves when we think we are above such behavior.
5. The best way to avoid a David-like slide is to stay off the slippery slope.
6. Whenever we are tempted, God offers a way of escape ... take it!