

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
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2 Samuel 11

1. What happened in our last Bible Study in 2 Samuel 10?
 - a. The king of the Ammonites died and his son succeeded him as king.
 - b. David decided to show kindness to the new king because his father had showed kindness to David.
 - c. The new king's advisors convinced him that David was there to spy on him and overthrow him.
 - d. The new king believed his advisors and shaved off half the beards of the men David sent and cut off their garment at the buttocks.
 - e. David told the men to stay at Jericho until their beards grew back and they went to war with the Ammonites and then eventually the Arameans who helped the Ammonites and also got routed.

2. What is happening in 11:1?
 - a. It is spring, at the time when kings go off to war.
 - b. David sent Joab out with the king's men and the whole Israelite army.
 - c. They destroyed the Ammonites and besieged Rabbah. But David remained in Jerusalem.

3. What happened during this time, according to 11:2-5?
 - a. One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the palace. From the roof he saw a woman bathing. The woman was very beautiful.
 - b. David sent someone to find out about her. The man said she is Bathsheba...the wife of Uriah the Hittite.
 - c. David sent messengers to get her...and he slept with her.
 - d. She conceived and sent word to David, saying, "I am pregnant."

4. What did David do when he heard this, according to 11:6-25?
 - a. David sent word to Joab: "Send me Uriah the Hittite."
 - b. David got a report from Uriah and then sent Uriah home (hoping he would sleep with his wife and nobody would wonder why she got pregnant while her husband was away), but Uriah slept at the entrance to the palace and refused to go home while his fellow soldiers were at war.
 - c. David invited him to eat with him and got him drunk, thinking surely then he would go home and sleep with his wife...but Uriah still did not go home.
 - d. David sent word to Joab asking him to send Uriah to the front lines and then withdraw from him so that he would be struck down and die...Joab did what David said and Uriah died.

5. What happened after Uriah died, according to 11:26-27?
 - a. Uriah's wife heard and mourned him.
 - b. After the time of mourning, David had her brought to his house and she became his wife and bore him a son.
 - c. Problem solved.

6. Was this one of those things that David checked with God on and did what he should have? Yes _____
No _____ Explain. _____

7. How did all of this happen?
 - a. Well, David seemed to have several chances to do what was right, but made several decisions that took him down a path to sin.
 - b. Once the deed was done and David realized he was going to get caught, instead of repenting, he tried to find a way to cover up his sin.
 - c. When he was unable to cover up his sin easily, he resorted to murder to fix his problem.

8. How can you avoid this happening in your own life? _____