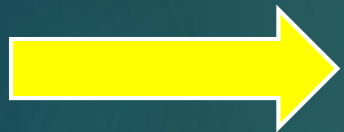


From
Deadly
Sin



The Quest for Holiness



To
Divine
Virtue

2 Samuel 11:1-3

In the spring, at the time when kings go off to war, David sent Joab out with the king's men and the whole Israelite army. They destroyed the Ammonites and besieged Rabbah. But David remained in Jerusalem. 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, and David sent someone to find out about her.

The man said, "She is Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite."

Exodus 20:14

You shall not commit adultery.

2 Samuel 11:14-17

In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it with Uriah. In it he wrote, "Put Uriah out in front where the fighting is fiercest. Then withdraw from him so he will be struck down and die." So while Joab had the city under siege, he put Uriah at a place where he knew the strongest defenders were. When the men of the city came out and fought against Joab, some of the men in David's army fell; moreover, Uriah the Hittite died.

Exodus 20:14

You shall not commit adultery.

Exodus 20:13

You shall not murder.

2 Samuel 12:1-3

The LORD sent Nathan to David. When he came to him, he said, "There were two men in a certain town, one rich and the other poor. The rich man had a very large number of sheep and cattle, but the poor man had nothing except one little ewe lamb he had bought. He raised it, and it grew up with him and his children. It shared his food, drank from his cup and even slept in his arms. It was like a daughter to him.

2 Samuel 12:4

"Now a traveler came to the rich man, but the rich man refrained from taking one of his own sheep or cattle to prepare a meal for the traveler who had come to him. Instead, he took the ewe lamb that belonged to the poor man and prepared it for the one who had come to him."

2 Samuel 12:5-6

David burned with anger against the man and said to Nathan, "As surely as the LORD lives, the man who did this must die! He must pay for that lamb four times over, because he did such a thing and had no pity."

2 Samuel 12:7-8

Then Nathan said to David,
"You are the man!

This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says:
'I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you from
the hand of Saul. I gave your master's house to you,
and your master's wives into your arms.
I gave you all Israel and Judah.
And if all this had been too little,
I would have given you even more.

2 Samuel 12:9-11

Why did you despise the word of the LORD by doing what is evil in his eyes? You struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and took his wife to be your own. You killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now, therefore, the sword will never depart from your house, because you despised me and took the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your own.' "This is what the LORD says: 'Out of your own household I am going to bring calamity on you. Before your very eyes I will take your wives and give them to one who is close to you, and he will sleep with your wives in broad daylight.

2 Samuel 12:12-14

You did it in secret, but I will do this thing in broad daylight before all Israel.' " Then David said to Nathan,

"I have sinned against the LORD."

Nathan replied, "The LORD has taken away your sin.

You are not going to die.

But because by doing this you have shown utter

contempt for the LORD,

the son born to you will die."

Psalm 51:1-3

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your unfailing love;
according to your great compassion
blot out my transgressions.

Wash away all my iniquity
and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is always before me.

Psalm 51:4-5

Against you, you only, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight;
so you are right in your verdict
and justified when you judge.

Surely I was sinful at birth,
sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Psalm 51:10-11

Create in me a pure heart, O God,
and renew a steadfast spirit within me.
Do not cast me from your presence
or take your Holy Spirit from me.

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins,
He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins
and purify us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 2:15-17

Do not love the world or anything in the world.

If anyone loves the world,

love for the Father is not in them.

For everything in the world--the lust of the flesh,

the lust of the eyes,

and the pride of life--comes not from the Father

but from the world.

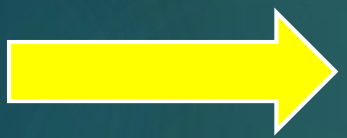
The world and its desires pass away,

but whoever does the will of God lives forever.

Action needed to combat lust...

- Repent and seek God's forgiveness – GRACE
- Cleansing – seek a transformation of the heart – changed nature – infilling of the Holy Spirit – 2nd work of GRACE – consecration – entire sanctification
- Put on purity
- Increase your love and trust for God
- Increase your love for others

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Self-centered
desire to have - **Lust**

Heart's desire to
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God - **Purity**