



“How to
Make Right
Decisions”

Consequences of David's Choice (II Sam. 11-12)

- David desired another man's wife

11:2 And it came to pass in an eveningtide, that David arose from off his bed, and walked upon the roof of the king's house: and from the roof he saw a woman washing herself; and the woman was very beautiful to look upon.

3 And David sent and enquired after the woman. And one said, Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?

- Bathsheba got pregnant

11:4 And David sent messengers, and took her; and she came in unto him, and he lay with her; for she was purified from her uncleanness: and she returned unto her house.

5 And the woman conceived, and sent and told David, and said, I am with child.

- David had Uriah murdered

11:15 And he wrote in the letter, saying, Set ye Uriah in the forefront of the hottest battle, and retire ye from him, that he may be smitten, and die.

- David married Bathsheba

11:27 And when the mourning was past, David sent and fetched her to his house, and she became his wife, and bare him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the Lord

- God's name was disgraced throughout the whole land

12:13 And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the Lord. And Nathan said unto David, The Lord also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die.

12:14 Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the Lord to blaspheme, the child also that is born unto thee shall surely die.

- David's child died.

12:18 And it came to pass on the seventh day, that the child died.

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What was David's initial WRONG DECISION?

- 2 Samuel 11

And it came to pass, after the year was expired, at the time when kings go forth to battle, that David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the children of Ammon, and besieged Rabbah. **But David tarried still at Jerusalem.**

II. Our decision making will either **GLORIFY** ourselves or God.

We are either...**CONFORMED TO THIS WORLD**

- Wisdom of Man
- Desire of Man
- Pleasure of Man
- Greed of Man
- Claims of Man
- **Receive the results of Man**

Or...TRANSFORMED BY CHRIST

- Word of God
- Delight of God
- Purpose of God
- Glory of God
- Council of God
- **Receive the results of God**

III. There are six steps to a right Decision.

1. Spend time in **Prayer**
2. Read the appropriate **Scriptures**
3. Think through the **Consequences**
4. Consider all the **Options**
5. Choose the right **Time**
6. Conformation from **Spiritual Leaders**