
SERMON OUTLINE

The Escalating Power of Hidden Sin

(David and Uriah)

2 Samuel 11:6-27

- I. Hiding our sin requires us to constantly deceive people (2 Samuel 11:6-13).
 - A. Plan A to hide sin – Deceptively summon Uriah home to sleep with his wife Bathsheba (11:6-9).
 - B. Plan B to hide sin – Emphatically urging Uriah to sleep with his wife when he doesn't (11:10-11).
 - C. Plan C to hide sin – Get Uriah drunk urging him to sleep with his wife (11:12-13).
 - The longer we try to hide sin, the more our internal sins pile up.
 - The longer I avoid getting caught in sin, the more hypocritical my spiritual life becomes.

- II. Continuing to hide sin leads to increasingly serious sin (2 Samuel 11:14-27).
 - A. The escalation of sin – David orders Joab to allow honorable Uriah to die in battle (11:14-17).
 - Ignoring or hiding sin leads to greater sin.
 - Innocent people suffer when we hide sin.
 - B. Further effects of sinning “successfully” – David receives the “doctored” reports of Uriah's death (11:18-25).
 - The more we work at hiding sin, the more people are drawn into sinning with us.
 - C. The futility of thinking we get by with hiding sin
 - Sin can seem to solve our circumstances – David marries Bathsheba and their son is born (26-27a).
 - Most importantly, our sin displeases God who will hold us accountable (27b).