

David and Bathsheba
The Heart of a King – Part 6
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Circumstances that Lead to Adultery:

A. Cracks in David's character.

His success has made him vulnerable.

1 Corinthians 10:12 (NLT)

Proverbs 4:23 (NLT)

1. Indulgence: when Kings went to war David sent Joab instead of going himself.

2 Samuel 11:1 (NLT)

- i. Indulgence will put you in the wrong place at the wrong time with a wrong person.
2. Complacency...brought on by success.
3. Spiritually stagnant / stopped growing.
4. Unrestrained selfishness.

2 Samuel 11:2-5 (NLT)

B. Steps that lead toward Adultery?

James 1:14-15 (NLT)

1. When you are alone with your thoughts what do you think about?
2. There is a point where thoughts are about to lead to action.

C. Adultery has consequences.

2 Samuel 11:6-13 (NLT)

D. Precautions to avoid adultery.

1. Heed the warnings of scripture

Proverbs 5:1-3, 8-14, 18

2. Understand your marriage is God's best for you

Proverbs 6:27-29

3. There is a way out.

1 Corinthians 10:12-13 (NLT)

4. Remember that it could happen to you.
5. Be very careful...don't give the enemy a chance.
6. Recognize the signs that you are headed for trouble.
7. Don't look at or listen to anything you are ashamed of.
8. When you are looking for more attention than you are getting at home.
9. Embrace standards that will protect your marriage.

Next Steps: Today I am:

1. Committing/recommitting my life to Christ.
2. Asking God to help me with my thoughts.
3. Asking God to strengthen my Character with Time in God's word and in prayer.
4. God is saying to me. _____