

Saturday, February 23, 2019

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## **build homework**

**DUE: March 9, 2019**

Before you begin your homework, take some time to pray and direct your heart and mind towards God and His Word. Ask God for help in submitting your life and thoughts to His Word that you might draw near to Him in this time. Ask Him to increase your desire to know and love and obey Him.

### **LOOKING BACK...**

Look back at your notes from February 23 (D1 - Lessons for My Heart from Israel's Kings) and remind yourself of the start, warning, compromise, response and outcome in the lives of Saul, David and Solomon.

### GOD'S HEART FOR ISRAEL'S KINGS

1. Read Deut 17:14-20 again to remind yourself of God's heart for the kings of Israel. Why do you think God was so specific in His list of prohibitions and prescriptions?

### LESSONS FROM SAUL

1. Remind yourself of the story of Saul and the Amalekites (1 Sam 15:1-9). What do you see happening in Saul's heart in verses 7-9 that may explain his disobedience to God's instruction to destroy everything?

2. What was Saul's explanation as to why he disobeyed and didn't destroy the Amalekites and all of their property (1 Sam 15:15)? What does this tell us about our hearts when we have fallen into sin?

### LESSONS FROM DAVID

1. Where was David when he began his fall into sin with Bathsheba (2 Sam 11:2)? Where should he have been (2 Sam 11:1)? What is one of the practical results of good heart shepherding as it relates to our proximity to sin?

2. Read through the verses that describe David's initial *outward* response to his sin, particularly how he dealt with Uriah after his adultery (2 Sam 11:6-17). What does this tell us about our hearts after we sin?

3. Read through the verses that describe David's initial *inward* response to his sin with Bathsheba, particularly in his relationship with the Lord (Psalm 32:3-4). What is the fruit of ignoring our sin?

4. Read through the verses that describe David's long term response to his sin (Psalm 32:5; Psalm 51:1-4). What are some of the evidences that a man is dealing biblically with his sin?

#### LESSONS FROM SOLOMON

1. Scripture tells us that Solomon was the wisest man in all of the earth (1 Kings 3:12). Remind yourself of Solomon's many decisions to pursue sin (1 Kings 3:3b; 10:14, 10:26; 11:1-3). What does this tell you about the capability of the human heart?

2. Ecclesiastes 7:26 tells us what Solomon learned from all of his pursuits of sin. How should we counsel our hearts when we are faced with opportunities to sin?

3. Read through 1 Kings 11:11-4 and 12:6-20. What do these verses tell us about the spread of the consequences of our sin? How should we counsel ourselves when we are inclined to think that our sin is a private issue?

#### **LOOKING AHEAD...**

In preparation for Saturday, March 9 (D1-4 - Biblical Decision Making), think about how you come to believe the Lord reveals His will in decisions you are about to make. Ask the Lord to give you an open mind to what Scripture has to say about the basis we should use in our decision making.