

**A Double Life**  
**2 Samuel 11**  
**March 14, 2021**

**I. The Second Look (V. 1-5)**

A. We don't always have to be in a bad situation to face temptation. Sometimes, all we have to do is wake up.

B. Secret sin starts with the \_\_\_\_\_ giving into temptation (Matthew 5:28).

C. Secret sin will \_\_\_\_\_ every careless decision you've ever made.

D. Secret sin has no \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.

E. Secret sin always has \_\_\_\_\_.

**II. The Failed Cover Up (V. 6-13)**

A. Secret sin leads to more \_\_\_\_\_.

**III. The Successful Cover Up (V. 14-27)**

A. Secret sin preys on the \_\_\_\_\_ and partners with the \_\_\_\_\_.

B. Secret sin causes \_\_\_\_\_.

C. Secret sin can be hidden from man, but it can never be hidden from God.

## **Group Discussion Questions**

1. Read 2 Samuel 11.
2. Is sin simply evil actions or evil thoughts as well? Why is it important to know?
3. What about David's sexual past may have exacerbated his obsession with Bathsheba? In what ways do past decisions impact our ability to face temptation?
4. Based on what we know of Bathsheba, do you think David considered the risks of his actions? Conversely, does sin make people smarter or dumber? How do you know?
5. Discuss some things secret sin can lead to in a person. What consequences does that kind of double life have?
6. Why do people think it beneficial to hide their sin from people when they know God knows what they have done?
7. Pray for each other, that God would protect everyone from secret sin and that the church would be a loving, accountable community for those who confess it. Consider attending this Sunday's Zoom Prayer Meeting at 7 pm!

Please consider contacting these deacons or their wives if you are struggling in these areas:

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## **Church Bible Reading Plan**

Bible Reading Plan: Isaiah 38-41

March Memory Verses: Isaiah 29:13-16

**Philippians 4:4-7**

*<sup>4</sup> Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! <sup>5</sup> Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. <sup>6</sup> Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. <sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

**BEFORE Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:**

If you have not done so already, register from the [www.apollobaptist.org](http://www.apollobaptist.org) home page by clicking the image for the Prayer Meeting. YOU DO NOT NEED TO REGISTER AGAIN until after Easter Sunday.

Register with your name and email address.

Click on the emailed Zoom link at time of the Prayer Meeting.

**DURING Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:**

PRAYING for our church to be a loving and accountable community to those in secret sin.

**Pray for Our Church Family Needs:**

- Those struggling with fear, anxiety and employment issues because of COVID
  - Raymond C. (missionary who had to return home due to COVID, struggling with housing and food)
- Church members and/or their friends/families who have COVID
- Family & friends of church members who need salvation or to renew their relationship with Jesus.
- Families who are grieving the recent loss of loved ones
  - Rebecca R. (brother), Ray and Sue J. (daughter-in-law, Lynette), Dan and Shirley S. (Dan's father), Nancy C. (father, Pete), April H. (husband, Gary), Ken R. (sister, Joan), Darlene R. (aunt Peggy and great-nephew Derek), Randie A. and Bonnie V. (mother), Tim, Alexa, and Erika P. (grandfather), Dick T. (aunt, Rosia), Family of Victoria A., Paul B. (daughter Paula), Ann T. (son-in-law, Steve), Kim H. (friend died of Covid)
  - Grief Share participants
- Those struggling with cancer issues:
  - Mary C. (breast cancer), Brenda R. (blood cancer and possible donors of bone marrow), Leroy D. (his brother), Chris and Beth L. (3 yr. old daughter with inoperable brain tumor), Jerry M. (friend of Dan S. has pancreatic cancer), 3 family members of Bob & Julia B.
- Those struggling with health issues:
  - Rezwana D. (migraines), Michelle L. (overwhelming stress), Mary R. (possible dialysis, struggling with approval for kidney transplant), Jimmy (grandson of Raul and Cindy O. has autism and migraines), Don R. (sciatica pain), Wayne and Twyla D. (Wayne's Parkinson's, he is in an assisted living facility living apart from Twyla), Floyd W. (Pat's dementia), Gretchen E. (Gretchen having severe head pain), Agnes (Bob B.'s mom, broken bone in neck), Ann T. (grandson in hospital with Covid), Pastor Reginald (pneumonia-not Covid), David W.'s wife Ann (pain & anxiety), Terry H.'s (daughter-in-law due soon-safe delivery)
- Those awaiting surgery:
  - Brenda R. (bone marrow transplant), Ruthie C.
- Those recovering from surgery:
  - Pastor Jamal B. (liver transplant)
- Those struggling with family relational issues:
  - Julia B. (family), Ketty B. (friend), Marge D. (a son)
- Those needing employment:
  - Larry S., Billy H., Julia B. (after move in March)
- Others that you are aware of
  - Cordero C. & Cecelia (for their marriage, wedding 2/14/21)