

Stolen Love
2 Samuel 13:1-22
April 11, 2021

I. Perverse Love (V. 1-6)

- A. Corrupt love is _____.
1. The object of love reveals its source.
 2. The action of love reveals its purity.
- B. The sins of parents can _____ on the heart of their children.

II. Abusive Love (V. 7-14)

- A. The sins of parents can cripple the _____ of their children.
- B. Corrupt love is _____ - The cry of Tamar (V. 12-13):
1. "What you want is outrageous."
 2. "What you want will hurt me."
 3. "What you want will hurt you."
- C. The sins of a parent can _____ the sin of their children.

III. Stolen Love (V. 15-22)

- A. Corrupt love is _____ in disguise.
- B. The sins of parents can paralyze their ability to _____ their children.

Group Discussion Questions

1. Read 2 Samuel 13:1-22.
2. What can you know about Amnon's "love" for Tamar based on its object and its actions? Why is who we love and how we love important?
3. The similarity between Amnon's lust and his father's in the previous chapter is a horrifying irony. Can the sins of a parent imprint on the heart of their children? Why is this important to know (especially for young people) and what can we do about it?
4. Notice the three objections of Tamar towards her attacker in verse 12-13. Even if the adultery between Amnon and Tamar was consensual, which it was not, would it have taken away the outrage of incest before God? Why is it important we understand sexual sin in terms of outrage against God as well as its hurt of all people involved?
5. Would it have been legal for David to give Tamar to Amnon in marriage, according to Leviticus 20:17? What does Tamar's belief that David would do so tell you about David's parenting to this point?
6. How could Amnon have "loved" Tamar (V. 1, 4) and then hate her so quickly (V. 15)? What does love from a person, which suddenly turns back and forth from hate, tell you about that person?
7. What are some factors you think contributed to David's not punishing Prince Amnon? What are some parental lessons we can learn from them?
8. Pray for each other, that we would abound in godly love for one another and be prepared to be godly parents, if God would call us to that charge. Consider attending tonight's Zoom Prayer Meeting at 7 pm!

Church Bible Reading Plan

Bible Reading Plan: Isaiah 50-53

April Memory Verses: Isaiah 46:5-7

2 Thessalonians 3:1

*Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored,
as happened among you,*

BEFORE Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

If you have not done so already, register from the www.apollobaptist.org home page by clicking the image for the Prayer Meeting. If you were registered before, you will need to sign up again. The new registration will last 4/11—9/5/21.

Register with your name and email address.

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

DURING Sunday Night Prayer Meeting:

PRAYING for our children's ministry: Awana, Sunday School, VBS, and Kids Camp

Pray for Our Church Family Needs:

- Those struggling with fear, anxiety and employment issues because of COVID
 - Dr. Doug and Cheryl D. (ability to return to Thailand)
- 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
 - Dick T. (aunt, Rosia & sister, Faye), Family of Victoria A., Paul and Barbara B. (daughter Paula), Ann T. (son-in-law, Steve), Raul O. (mother, Josie), Zelma W. (father), Family of Ella Rae T. (Ella Rae passed away on April 8)
- Those struggling with health issues:
 - Mary C. (breast cancer), Rezwana D. (migraines), Mary R. (possible dialysis), Jimmy (grandson of Raul and Cindy O. has autism and migraines), Don R. (sciatica pain), Harry and Pam D. (ongoing care-giving needs), Phyllis W. (back in the hospital), Korrena C. (due to car accident), Jamal B. (hospital), Debbie B. (severe back pain)
- Those awaiting surgery:
 - Ruthie C. (stomach repair), Ann W. (gallbladder removal), Gary L. (hip replacement)
- Those recovering from surgery:
 - Brenda R. (in ICU, stable but still receiving help with breathing), Darlene R. (successful abdominal hernia repair)
- Those struggling with family relational issues:
 - Julia B. (family), Ketty B. (friend), Marge D. (a son)
- Those needing employment:
 - Larry S., Julia B.
- Others that you are aware of