

**A King on the Run**  
**2 Samuel 15:13-37 & Psalm 3**  
**April 25, 2021**

**I. David's Shameful Departure from Jerusalem**

**A. Sin has \_\_\_\_\_ that are set by God.**

- 2 Samuel 15:13,14, 30
- 2 Samuel 12:9-12
- Galatians 6:7

**B. Consequences follow rebellion even if God has \_\_\_\_\_ us.**

- 2 Samuel 12:13

**C. The consequences of sin that are sent by God show us that God \_\_\_\_\_ us.**

- Hebrews 12:5-11
- Matthew 5:4

**D. Sin's consequences lead God's child to continue to turn to God with a \_\_\_\_\_ heart.**

- 2 Samuel 15:24-26

**E. The humble heart \_\_\_\_\_ to God.**

- 2 Samuel 15:30

**II. David's Prayer**

**A. The \_\_\_\_\_ of David**

- Psalm 3:1,2
- My enemies are growing faster than I can \_\_\_\_\_.
- Many are saying that I am beyond Your \_\_\_\_\_.

**B. The \_\_\_\_\_ that God revealed**

- Psalm 3:3-6
- God, You are my \_\_\_\_\_.
- God, You are my \_\_\_\_\_.
- God, because of You I can \_\_\_\_\_.
- God, because of You I have \_\_\_\_\_.

**C. The \_\_\_\_\_ for the future**

- Psalm 3:7,8
- God, You will defeat my \_\_\_\_\_.
- God, You are not \_\_\_\_\_ up on me.

## Group Discussion Questions

1. Read 2 Samuel 15:13-37.
2. Why do the consequences of sin continue (in this life) even if God has completely forgiven a person for their sin?
3. How could consequences that are sometimes so difficult to bear be a reminder of God's great love for us?
4. David did not desire to take the Ark of the Covenant with him in his departure from Jerusalem. Instead, David told Zadok to return the Ark of the Covenant to Jerusalem. *"Return the ark of God to the city. If I find favor in the sight of the Lord, then He will bring me back again and show me both it and His habitation. But if He should say thus, 'I have no delight in you,' behold, here I am, let Him do to me as seems good to Him."* (2 Samuel 15:25-26) Why did David do this? Would the Ark of the Covenant have given David extra grace from God?
5. People had screamed at King David when he was departing Jerusalem (2 Samuel 16:7,8) that he was beyond hope, he was simply reaping what he had sowed, God would never deliver him, he was now hopeless! Was this true? Have you ever felt like God has given up on you?
6. Instead of simply running from his enemies, David ran to God. In Psalm 3, what happened to David when he focused on God rather than on his enemies?
7. Pray for each other that we would avoid sin and grow in the walk of righteousness. Also pray for each other that when we are dealing with the consequences of sin, we will realize that God has placed them in our lives to remind us that He loves us and does not want us to continue in unrighteous ways that will ruin our lives.
8. Tonight at 7:00 we have our church-wide prayer time. It is a ZOOM meeting. You can get the ZOOM invitation and link by signing up for the prayer meeting on the Apollo Baptist Church website.

### Church Bible Reading Plan

Bible Reading Plan: Isaiah 58-60

April Memory Verses: Isaiah 46:5-7

**Matthew 26:41**

*Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.*

**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. 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 the Small Group Ministry of our church. (Sunday School, Home Groups, Men's and Women's Bible Studies)

**Pray for Our Church Family Needs:**

- Those struggling with fear, anxiety or employment issues because of COVID
  - Dr. Doug and Cheryl D. (ability to return to Thailand)
  - Jules Spencer (ability to go 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., Don R. (wife, Brenda)
- Those struggling with health issues:
  - Mary C. (breast cancer), Mary R. (possible dialysis), Don R. (sciatica pain), Harry and Pam D. (ongoing care-giving needs), Phyllis W. (in rehab facility), Korrena C. (home but still receiving therapy), Jamal B. (home, but dealing with a slight stroke + need for a caregiver), Debbie B. (severe back pain, waiting results of bone biopsy)
- Those awaiting surgery:
  - Ruthie C. (stomach repair), Ann W. (gallbladder removal)
- Those recovering from surgery:
  - Darlene R. (successful abdominal hernia repair), Gary L. (hip replacement)
- 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