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**HIDEOUTS ARE THINGS WE RUN TO IN OUR LIVES TO
ESCAPE THE PAIN OR GUILT OF OUR POTHOLES. WE
RUN TO THEM WHEN WE DON'T WANT TO ADDRESS
THE THINGS WE NEED TO ADDRESS IN OUR LIVES.**



**GOD WANTS US TO STOP RUNNING SO HE CAN
START RESTORING.**



2 LATE ONE AFTERNOON, AFTER HIS MIDDAY REST, DAVID GOT OUT OF BED AND WAS WALKING ON THE ROOF OF THE PALACE. AS HE LOOKED OUT OVER THE CITY, HE NOTICED A WOMAN OF UNUSUAL BEAUTY TAKING A BATH. 3 HE SENT SOMEONE TO FIND OUT WHO SHE WAS, AND HE WAS TOLD, "SHE IS BATHSHEBA, THE DAUGHTER OF ELIAM AND THE WIFE OF URIAH THE HITTITE." 4 THEN DAVID SENT MESSENGERS TO GET HER; AND WHEN SHE CAME TO THE PALACE, HE SLEPT WITH HER. 5 LATER, WHEN BATHSHEBA DISCOVERED THAT SHE WAS PREGNANT, SHE SENT DAVID A MESSAGE, SAYING, "I'M PREGNANT."

2 SAMUEL 11:2-4A, 5 NLT

THE HIDEOUTS THAT DAVID RUNS TO:

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6 THEN DAVID SENT WORD TO JOAB: "SEND ME UURIAH THE HITTITE." SO JOAB SENT HIM TO DAVID. 7 WHEN UURIAH ARRIVED, DAVID ASKED HIM HOW JOAB AND THE ARMY WERE GETTING ALONG AND HOW THE WAR WAS PROGRESSING. 8 THEN HE TOLD UURIAH, "GO ON HOME AND RELAX." DAVID EVEN SENT A GIFT TO UURIAH AFTER HE HAD LEFT THE PALACE. 9 BUT UURIAH DIDN'T GO HOME. HE SLEPT THAT NIGHT AT THE PALACE ENTRANCE WITH THE KING'S PALACE GUARD.

2 SAMUEL 11:6-9 NLT

11 URIAH REPLIED, "THE ARK AND THE ARMIES OF ISRAEL AND JUDAH ARE LIVING IN TENTS, AND JOAB AND MY MASTER'S MEN ARE CAMPING IN THE OPEN FIELDS. HOW COULD I GO HOME TO WINE AND DINE AND SLEEP WITH MY WIFE? I SWEAR THAT I WOULD NEVER DO SUCH A THING."

2 SAMUEL 11:11 NLT

THE HIDEOUTS THAT DAVID RUNS TO:

- THE HIDEOUT OF DECEPTION.
- THE HIDEOUT OF DISTRACTION.



13 THEN DAVID INVITED HIM TO DINNER AND GOT HIM DRUNK. BUT EVEN THEN HE COULDN'T GET URIAH TO GO HOME TO HIS WIFE. AGAIN HE SLEPT AT THE PALACE ENTRANCE WITH THE KING'S PALACE GUARD.

2 SAMUEL 11:13 NLT

THE HIDEOUTS THAT DAVID RUNS TO:

- THE HIDEOUT OF DECEPTION.
- THE HIDEOUT OF DISTRACTION.
- THE HIDEOUT OF DEATH.



14 SO THE NEXT MORNING DAVID WROTE A LETTER TO JOAB AND GAVE IT TO URIAHA TO DELIVER. 15 THE LETTER INSTRUCTED JOAB, "STATION URIAHA ON THE FRONT LINES WHERE THE BATTLE IS FIERCEST. THEN PULL BACK SO THAT HE WILL BE KILLED." 16 SO JOAB ASSIGNED URIAHA TO A SPOT CLOSE TO THE CITY WALL WHERE HE KNEW THE ENEMY'S STRONGEST MEN WERE FIGHTING. 17 AND WHEN THE ENEMY SOLDIERS CAME OUT OF THE CITY TO FIGHT, URIAHA THE HITTITE WAS KILLED ALONG WITH SEVERAL OTHER ISRAELITE SOLDIERS.

2 SAMUEL 11:14-17 NLT

THE HIDEOUTS THAT DAVID RUNS TO:

- THE HIDEOUT OF DECEPTION.
- THE HIDEOUT OF DISTRACTION.
- THE HIDEOUT OF DEATH.
- THE HIDEOUT OF DETACHMENT.



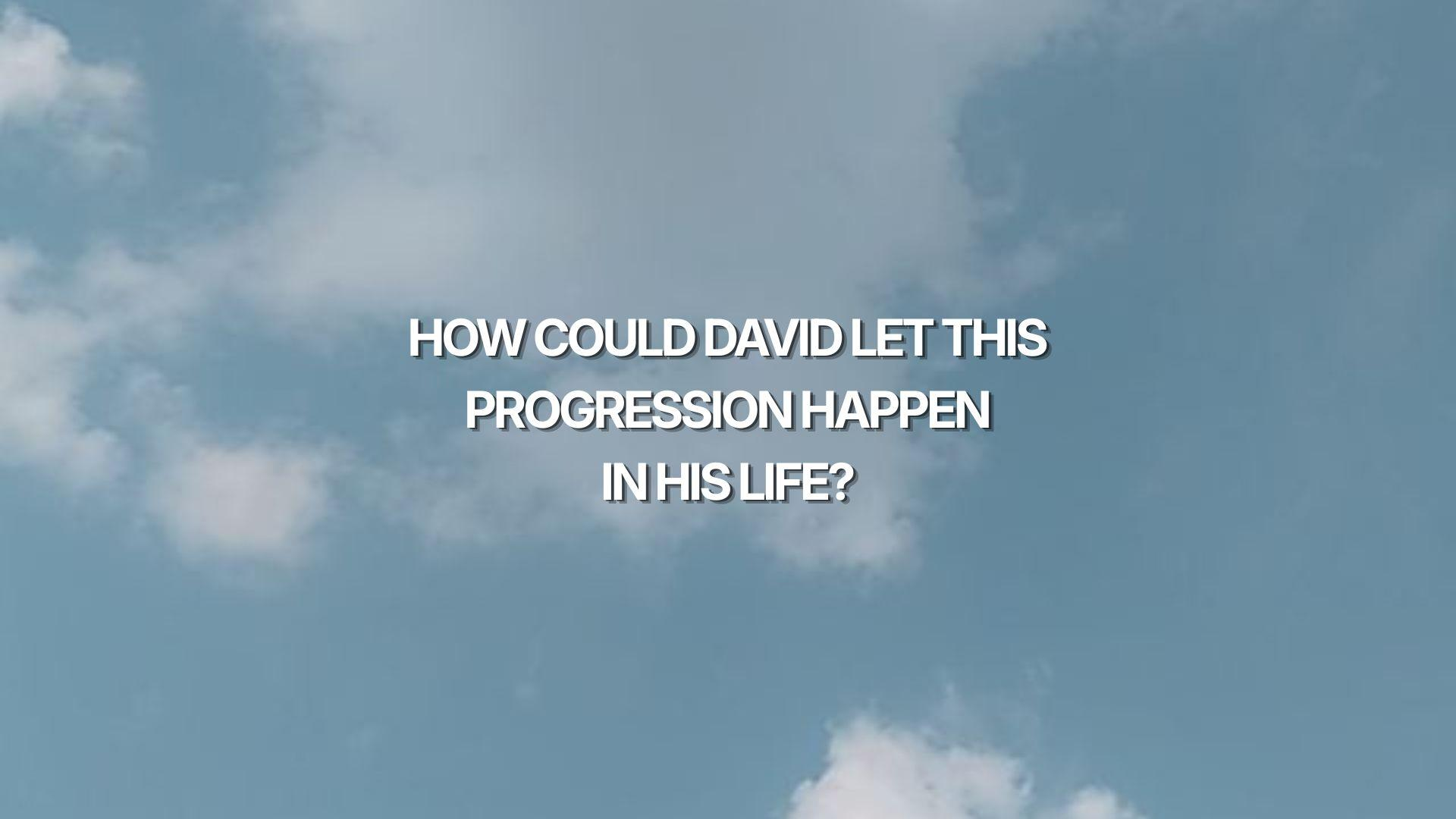
22 SO THE MESSENGER WENT TO JERUSALEM AND GAVE A COMPLETE REPORT TO DAVID. 23 “THE ENEMY CAME OUT AGAINST US IN THE OPEN FIELDS,” HE SAID. “AND AS WE CHASED THEM BACK TO THE CITY GATE, 24 THE ARCHERS ON THE WALL SHOT ARROWS AT US. SOME OF THE KING’S MEN WERE KILLED, INCLUDING URIA H THE HITTITE.”

25 “WELL, TELL JOAB NOT TO BE DISCOURAGED,” DAVID SAID. “THE SWORD DEVOURS THIS ONE TODAY AND THAT ONE TOMORROW! FIGHT HARDER NEXT TIME, AND CONQUER THE CITY!”

2 SAMUEL 11:22-25 NLT

**BUT THE LORD WAS DISPLEASED
WITH WHAT DAVID HAD DONE.**

2 SAMUEL 11:27B NLT



**HOW COULD DAVID LET THIS
PROGRESSION HAPPEN
IN HIS LIFE?**

WHEN SIN IS ALLOWED TO GROW, IT
LEAKS.



**14 TEMPTATION COMES FROM OUR OWN DESIRES, WHICH
ENTICE US AND DRAG US AWAY. 15 THESE DESIRES GIVE
BIRTH TO SINFUL ACTIONS. AND WHEN SIN IS ALLOWED TO
GROW, IT GIVES BIRTH TO DEATH.**

JAMES 1:14-15 NLT

**THE LORD SEES YOUR HIDEOUTS AND WANTS
TO BRING YOU OUT OF THEM, RESTORE YOU
AND MAKE YOU WHOLE.**



1 SO THE LORD SENT NATHAN THE PROPHET TO TELL DAVID THIS STORY: "THERE WERE TWO MEN IN A CERTAIN TOWN. ONE WAS RICH, AND ONE WAS POOR. 2 THE RICH MAN OWNED A GREAT MANY SHEEP AND CATTLE. 3 THE POOR MAN OWNED NOTHING BUT ONE LITTLE LAMB HE HAD BOUGHT. HE RAISED THAT LITTLE LAMB, AND IT GREW UP WITH HIS CHILDREN. IT ATE FROM THE MAN'S OWN PLATE AND DRANK FROM HIS CUP. HE CUDDLED IT IN HIS ARMS LIKE A BABY DAUGHTER. 4 ONE DAY A GUEST ARRIVED AT THE HOME OF THE RICH MAN. BUT INSTEAD OF KILLING AN ANIMAL FROM HIS OWN FLOCK OR HERD, HE TOOK THE POOR MAN'S LAMB AND KILLED IT AND PREPARED IT FOR HIS GUEST."

2 SAMUEL 12:1-4 NLT

5 DAVID WAS FURIOUS. “AS SURELY AS THE LORD LIVES,” HE VOWED, “ANY MAN WHO WOULD DO SUCH A THING DESERVES TO DIE! 6 HE MUST REPAY FOUR LAMBS TO THE POOR MAN FOR THE ONE HE STOLE AND FOR HAVING NO PITY.”

7 THEN NATHAN SAID TO DAVID, “YOU ARE THAT MAN!”

2 SAMUEL 12:5-7A NLT

**WHEN GOD EXPOSES THINGS HE IS NOT DOING IT
TO HARM US, HE IS DOING IT SO HE CAN HEAL US
PROPERLY.**



**13 THEN DAVID CONFESSED TO NATHAN, “I
HAVE SINNED AGAINST THE LORD.”**

2 SAMUEL 12:13A NLT

**1 HAVE MERCY ON ME, O GOD, BECAUSE OF YOUR
UNFAILING LOVE. BECAUSE OF YOUR GREAT
COMPASSION, BLOT OUT THE STAIN OF MY SINS. 2
WASH ME CLEAN FROM MY GUILT. PURIFY ME
FROM MY SIN.**

PSALM 51:1-2 NLT

7 PURIFY ME FROM MY SINS, AND I WILL BE CLEAN; WASH ME, AND I WILL BE WHITER THAN SNOW. 8 OH, GIVE ME BACK MY JOY AGAIN; YOU HAVE BROKEN ME— NOW LET ME REJOICE. 9 DON'T KEEP LOOKING AT MY SINS. REMOVE THE STAIN OF MY GUILT. 10 CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART, O GOD. RENEW A LOYAL SPIRIT WITHIN ME.

PSALM 51:7-10 NLT