A Kingdom Established: "The King Who Needs a Savior" 2 Samuel 11:1-17

I. The King's Captivity to Sin 2 Samuel 11:1-5

1 Corinthians 10:13 - "No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape...so that you will be able to endure it."

II. The King's Cover-Up of Sin 2 Samuel 11:6-17, 26-27

III. The consequences of sexual sin:

1. Sears the conscience

1 Timothy 4:2 - "...liars seared in their own conscience as with a branding iron."

2. Injures the whole person.

1 Corinthians 6:18 - "Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body."

Adrian Rogers - "The sin of immorality is not one we are instructed to fight. It is one we have been told to flee. Run from that compromising situation. <u>Saturate that place with your absence.</u>"

3. Damages God's design for marriage.

Genesis 2:24-25 - "Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become <u>one flesh</u>. And the man and his wife were both <u>naked</u> and were <u>not ashamed</u>."

- 4. Breaks families and legacies.
- 5. Distorts the Gospel.

Ephesians 5:31-32 - "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. This mystery is great; but I am speaking regarding <u>Christ and the church</u>."

Psalm 139:8 - "If I ascend to heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in Sheol, <u>behold, You are there</u>."

Psalm 51:7 - "Purge (Cleanse) me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash (Bathe) me, and I shall be whiter than snow."

Family Faith Sheet for Friends and Family This Week

- 1. What is sin's promise to us when we are tempted?
- 2. What are the blessings God has provided you that are most likely to make you forget your dependence on God?
- 3. What sort of habits and or rhythms in life can we cultivate to minimize and avoid temptation?
- 4. What are some consequences you have experienced because of your own sin?
- 5. What stands out to you as the necessary components of confession based on Psalm 51? Read and discuss.
- 6. Why is distaste for and resistance against sin in one's life an essential mark of a Christian? Colossians 3:8, Ephesians 4:30-31, 6:13-15, 1 Peter 2:1-3, 2 Timothy 4:7-8, Matthew 5:23-24, and James 5:16.