

Discussion Guide -- “Epic Fail!”
Week of July 15, 2018
Read 2 Samuel ch. 11; 1 Corinthians 10:11-13

- Where did David’s sin begin, in 2 Samuel 11:2 when he noticed Bathsheba or in 2 Sam. 11:4 when he sent for her? Why do you say this?
- We don’t know anything about Bathsheba’s thoughts or motives regarding this affair. The Bible says nothing about her guilt. It does, however, say God was upset at David (2 Sam. 11:27). That’s easy to understand. David violated at least 3 of the 10 commandments (coveting, adultery & murder).
- 1 Corinthians 10:11-12 says the stories of the Bible are there to serve as examples for us so that we can avoid failing when faced with tough circumstances. David had an epic fail which resulted in terrible consequences. There are always consequences when we give in to temptation. What are some of the temptations you are facing right now? What are some potential consequences?
- The messenger in 2 Samuel 11:3 gave David all the information he needed to realize he should leave Bathsheba alone, yet he ignored all of the warnings and gave in to temptation. God has promised to give us a way out when we are faced with temptation (1 Cor. 10:13), How could David done things differently so he could take the “way out?”
- God is faithful. God will provide a way out. Think about this truth for a few moments. Spend some time in prayer. If you can’t see any temptations in your path, ask God to help show them to you so that they don’t catch you unprepared. Ask God to help you see the way out and have the willingness and strength to take it!