

I Gave You...
2 Samuel 12:7-9
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Thesis: I want to show what we can learn from David's situation in 2 Samuel 12.

- Intro:
1. God was blessed in many ways by God, as we will see.
 2. However, God's blessings do not mean God tolerates sin.

I. I gave you...

A. I made you King (**v.7a**).

1. David was given a position of power, honor and respect by God.
2. David showed that despite this of power from God, man can still sin and in general mess things up when God has blessed him.

B. I delivered you from Saul and gave you a home and wives (**v.7b-8a**)

1. God not only gave power to David he also rescued him from those who pursued him.
2. God was the determining factor behind David's escape from Saul.
3. God gave David a literal home, literal wives and much more. If these things were not enough God would have given him more (**v.8b**)

II. 1 Samuel 12:9

A. "Why have you despised the commandment of the Lord..."(**v.9a**)

1. After all that God had done for David why did He disobey?
2. It is seen throughout history that man has a sin problem.
 - a. Perhaps he wasn't content (**v.8b**).
 - b. Perhaps he struggled to be satisfied physical with his possessions and his multiple wives.
 - c. Whatever the reason, no reason was acceptable to God.

B. "...to do evil in His sight." (**v.9b**)

1. It's interesting to note that two points are made in this verse.
 - a. One, he despised the commandments of God.
 - b. Two, he did evil in the sight of God.
2. The evil mentioned here in this context is killing the husband of the woman whom he committed adultery. (**v.9c**)

III. Lessons for us today.

A. Being blessed by God does not mean sins are overlooked.

1. David was immensely blessed by God (**2 Sam 12:7-8**).
2. He is commonly remembered as a "man after God's own heart" (**1 Sam 13:14**).
3. However, he still had to pay for his sins and breaking the laws of God (**2 Sam 12:15-18a**).

B. David repented and was forgiven

1. Despite David's sins, he was forgiven because he repented.
2. No sin is so great that it cannot be forgiven when we repent (**Isa 59:1**).

Application & Conclusion:

1. God blesses the faithful and is willing to continually bless us (**2 Sam 12:8b**).
2. Let us do what is right by not only enjoying God's blessings and acknowledging them but by striving to faithfully follow Him always.
3. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11-12, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent & Pray: James 5:16, 1 John 1:9