

Oct 19/25 - 2 Samuel 11 – Where the Eyes Turn, the Heart Follows

Read 2 Samuel 11

1. What catches your attention in this story? What details stand out most to you? What words or moments capture your attention?
2. The story begins as the narrator emphasizes that David sent many to battle but remained in Jerusalem. What do you think this detail reveals about the state of David's heart before anything else happens?
3. The King was to mediate daily on Torah so that God's character and will would fill his vision, shaping everything he does. Now it is a woman that fills his vision directing his thoughts, words, and actions. How do you see similar dynamics at work in our own lives or in our world? (where the eyes turn the heart follows)
4. The word "sent" appears repeatedly throughout the passage. What do you think the writer wants us to see in this repetition? Who sends whom — and to what end? What does that tell us about how David is using power?
5. Who or what does God use to reach out to him along the way? How does David respond to these opportunities to turn back?
6. Uriah's words expose something about both his heart and David's. What contrast do you see between them? What does Uriah's character reveal about the God he serves? What does this expose in David?
7. The passage ends with two sendings: David sends to kill; the Lord sends Nathan to heal. How does that final contrast reveal the heart of God? How does this prepare the way for the gospel?
8. What will you most take away from your conversation tonight? Invite others to pray for you in light of what came home to you.