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**MARK 7:20-23**

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# KING DAVID

**A MAN AFTER GOD'S HEART**

(1 Samuel 13:14, Acts 13:22)

# WHAT HAS DAVID BEEN THROUGH UP TO NOW?

## 2 SAMUEL 8-10

David continuously won

## 2 SAMUEL 7

The Lord makes a  
covenant with David

## 2 SAMUEL 5

David anointed as king of Israel  
David defeats the Philistines

## 2 SAMUEL 1

King Saul dies



**HOWEVER, SIN  
STILL EXISTS,  
EVEN IN THE MAN  
AFTER GOD'S HEART.**

In the spring of the year, the time **when kings go out to battle**,  
David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel.  
And they ravaged the Ammonites and besieged Rabbah.  
**But David remained at Jerusalem.**

**2 SAMUEL 11:1**



**DAVID DISENGAGES  
FROM HIS CALLING  
AS KING AND DECIDES  
HIS OWN CALLING (V.1).**

It happened, late one afternoon, **when David arose from his couch** and was walking on the roof of the king's house, that **he saw** from the roof a woman bathing; and **the woman was very beautiful.**

**2 SAMUEL 11:2**



**DESIRE IS AWAKENED  
AND ENTERTAINED (V.2).**

<sup>3</sup> And David **sent and inquired** about the woman. And one said, “Is not this Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam, the wife of Uriah the Hittite?” <sup>4</sup> So David **sent messengers and took her, and she came to him, and he lay with her...**  
Then she returned to her house.

**2 SAMUEL 11:3-4**

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**2 SAMUEL 11:3**



**POWER REMOVES  
RESTRAINT; DESIRE  
BECOMES ACTION  
(V.3-4).**

# **Temptation and Forgetfulness of God**

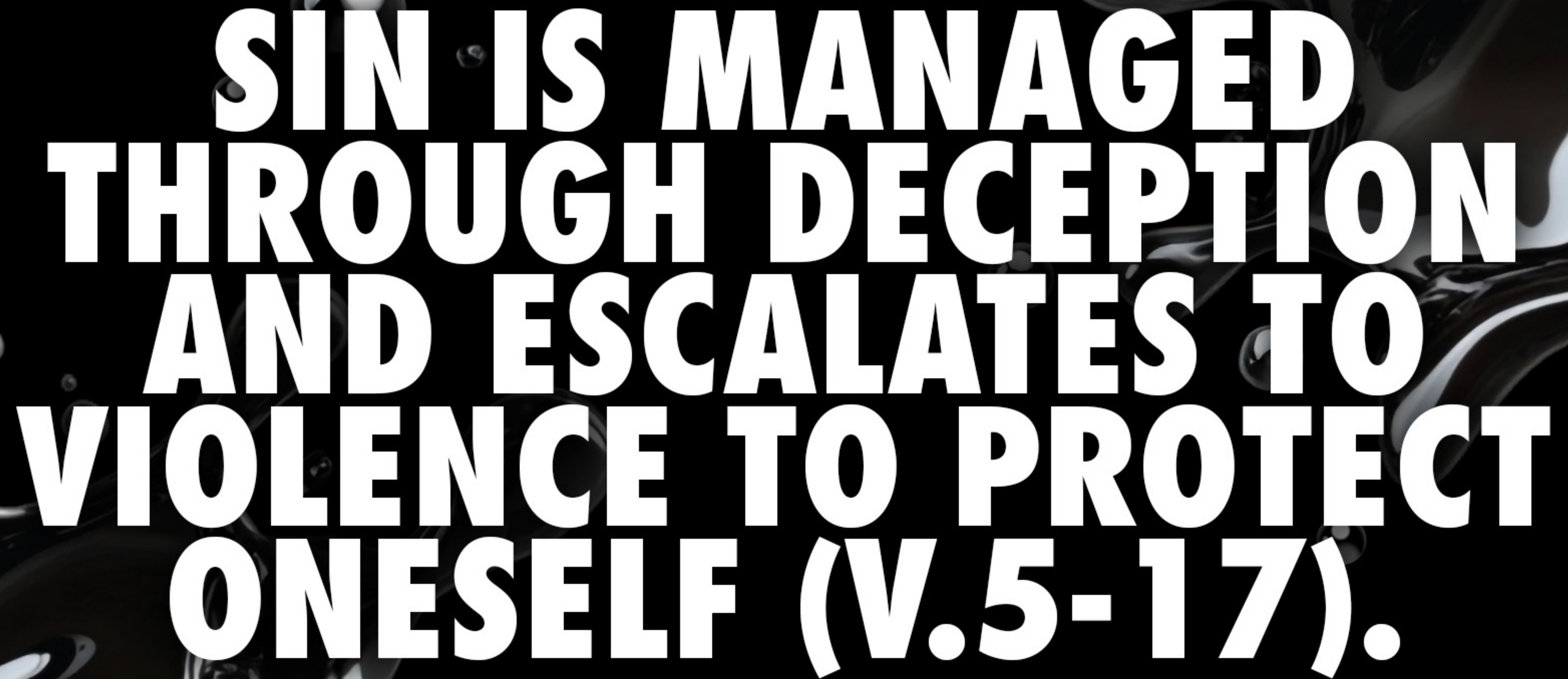
## **- Dietrich Bonhoeffer**

In our members there is a slumbering inclination toward **desire, which is both sudden and fierce**. With irresistible power, desire seizes mastery of the flesh. All at once a secret, smoldering fire is kindled. The flesh burns and is in flames. It makes no difference whether it is a sexual desire, or ambition, or vanity, or desire for revenge, our love of fame and power, or greed for money...

# Temptation and Forgetfulness of God

## - Dietrich Bonhoeffer

At this moment God is quite unreal to us. He loses all reality, and only desire for the creature is real. The only reality is the devil. Satan does not here fill us with hatred of God, **but with forgetfulness of God...** The lust thus aroused envelopes the mind and will of a man in deepest darkness. The powers of clear discrimination and of decision are taken from us.



**SIN IS MANAGED  
THROUGH DECEPTION  
AND ESCALATES TO  
VIOLENCE TO PROTECT  
ONESELF (V.5-17).**

...But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD.

**2 SAMUEL 11:5-27**



**SEXUAL IMMORALITY,  
SENSUALITY, AND  
ADULTERY DISPLEASE GOD  
AND DEFILE OUR  
RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD.**

A black and white artistic photograph of a liquid splash, possibly water or oil, against a dark background. The liquid is captured in mid-air, creating a dynamic and fluid composition. The splash is centered, with droplets and ripples extending outwards. The lighting highlights the glossy texture of the liquid, creating bright reflections and deep shadows. The overall mood is dramatic and evocative, suggesting a significant event or a passage of time.

**ONE YEAR  
LATER...**

# **2 SAMUEL 12:7-12**

## **God exposes the heart behind the act**

**<sup>7</sup> Nathan said to David, “You are the man!”**

**<sup>9</sup> Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight?**

**<sup>13</sup> David said to Nathan, “I have sinned against the LORD.”  
And Nathan said to David, “The LORD also has put away  
your sin; you shall not die.**

**<sup>14</sup> Nevertheless, because by this deed you have utterly scorned  
the LORD, the child who is born to you shall die.”**

**2 SAMUEL 12:13-14**

**There will be consequences of sin.  
However, God's grace allows us to restore our  
relationship with Him.**

## **PSALM 51**

- <sup>1</sup> Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy  
blot out my transgressions.
- <sup>2</sup> Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin!

## PSALM 51

- <sup>7</sup> Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;  
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- <sup>10</sup> **Create in me a clean heart, O God,**  
and renew a right spirit within me.

## **PSALM 51**

- <sup>11</sup> Cast me not away from your presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
- <sup>12</sup> Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with a willing spirit.



**REPENTANCE AND  
CONFESSION OPEN THE  
WAY TO FORGIVENESS  
AND THE RENEWAL  
OF OUR HEARTS.**



**WHAT'S IN OUR  
HEARTS TODAY?**