

**Title:** The Look that Kills

**Text:** 2 Samuel 11

**Target:** The true test of one's leadership is not only what is done in the sunlight, but also what is done in the shadows. Therefore, if what is done in the shadows is not willingly brought into the sunlight, then know that God will intentionally bring the sunlight to the shadows.

**The wisest man Solomon, the strongest man Samson, and the godliest man in David shared one aspect in common: Moral Failure.**

**I. Consider the Circumstances: 2 Samuel 11:1-3**

**A. The Subtly of Success: Untouchable**

- Casualness: *"But David remained in Jerusalem."* (Vs.1)
- Compulsiveness: *"It happened"* (Vs. 2)
- Callousness: *"Is not this Bathsheba"* (Vs. 3)

**B. The Sequence of Sin: Unsatisfied**

- David Stopped
- David Stared
- David Sent
- David Sinned

**James 1:14-15:** *"But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death."*

**Key Reference:** Deuteronomy 17:16-17:

**I. Contrast of Character: 2 Samuel 11:6-15**

**A. Conspiracy of David: Unaccountable**

**Notice:** The intentional use of the phrase *"down to your house"* (Vs. 9,10,11,13)

**B. Commitment of Uriah: Unwavering**

- Loyal to His Master: *"slept at the door of the king's house"* (Vs.9)
- Loyal to His Mission: *"I will not do this thing"* (Vs.11)
- Loyal to His Morals: *"but he did not go..."* (Vs.13)

**Take Away:** Today, be reminded when the Son appears, where sin abides, grace always abounds. Therefore, the grace of God will always cover one's sin, but the government of God will cause one to have to deal with the consequences.

*He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy. Proverbs 28:13*