

# Uriah, Man of Character

## Sermon by Pastor Kip McCormick

### Opening Prayer

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Invite the group to leave behind the distractions of the day by focusing on God through a couple minutes of centering prayer. Invite the Holy Spirit to lead your meeting and reveal the personal messages He has for each one of you.

### Insights and Applications

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Share an insight that the Holy Spirit gave you while reflecting on Scripture this last week. Also, share how you chose to respond and apply it to your life.

### Connect with God Through Scripture

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**Read: Hebrews 4:12-13** (use multiple translations if available)

- What does the passage teach me about God?
- How does the passage speak to me personally?
- What does this passage call me to?

### Group Discussion

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**Read: 2 Samuel 11: 1-16**

- What choices did King David make that led to his infidelity with Bathsheba?
- At any point King David could have stopped this drama from unfolding. Why do you think it continued, and how do you personally relate to this?
- In Pastor Kip's sermon, he stated that "If you don't master your sin, your sin will master you."
  1. Can you describe what it is like when sin becomes more powerful than a person's self-control? What is this like in your own life?
  2. What steps should a person take who is experiencing this?
  3. What does **2 Corinthians 10:3-5** instruct us to do?

## Read 2 Samuel 12: 1-13

- Who sent Nathan to David?
- Nathan was a man that David "gave the right to be heard".
  1. Who is a "Nathan" in your life who has this right to be heard?
  2. If you don't have a "Nathan", what would it take for you to allow someone to have this type of access?
  3. How is Nathan and David's relationship mutually beneficial?

## A Call to Action

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- Pastor Kip talked about our place of duty.
  1. Where is your place of duty?
  2. How do these critical 'places of duty' in your life challenge or display your character?
  3. Discuss amongst the group what is really at stake here.
- What is God prompting you to put into practice this week because of this sermon and your small group discussion?
- How can your small group support and encourage you this week?

## Closing Reflection

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*"Watch your thoughts; they become words. Watch your words; they become actions. Watch your actions; they become habits. Watch your habits; they become your character. Watch your character; it becomes your destiny."*

-Frank Outlaw