

Questions for our midweek discipleship groups and personal reflection

The World is Not Enough Read 2 Samuel 11:1-5.

What had become of David that he wasn't leading his army in battle?

God is not mentioned until the very last verse of this chapter. What happens when God is not the focus of our lives?

How did the following cause David to succumb to temptation by committing adultery with Bathsheba:

- Pride?
- Comfort and boredom?
- Lack of accountability?
- Weakness in a particular area of life?

How can any of these things overtake us? What are the remedies?

Why is the world 'never enough' when we chase what it has to offer?

Read 1 Peter 2:9. What has God done for us in Jesus? What does it mean to live a holy life and why is this more satisfying than worldly living?

Covering our tracks Read 2 Samuel 11:6-25.

What were the options for David at the point when Bathsheba became pregnant? Why did he go down the route he did? Why do we sometimes cover our tracks rather than come into the open?

In the midst of sin, how do the "giants" that threaten to slay us eclipse our view of God?

The LORD sees the depths of our hearts Read 2 Samuel 11:26-27.

Why is it significant that God saw what David had tried to cover up?

Why is it marvellous that in seeing our sin, through Jesus God chooses to forgive it by paying with his own flesh and blood?