



ADVENTURE KILLERS

Losing Your Edge

MAIN THING

When You Start Wearing Silk Pajamas, It's Tough To Get Up Early

SCRIPTURE

2 Samuel 11:1-17, 26-27

ICEBREAKER

When you get comfortable around people, you typically act different. What are ways that happens? Is it good? Bad?

OPENING THOUGHT

When King David first started out, he wasn't king. He was a lowly shepherd. He was the youngest in the family, no fame, no title, no position. He spent his early years with the Lord as a scrappy, faithful, totally dependent on God young man. Then something changed. God blessed him. Made him king. He was no longer in danger, no longer daily dependent on God. He began to slip. When we, like King David, lose our edge, we trade the adventure for comfort and ease.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What was one thing that stood out to you from this weekend's message?
2. In 2 Samuel 11:1-4, we see multiple issues here; David should have been with his men, he should not have been staring at a naked woman, and he definitely shouldn't have slept with her. Is this an abuse of power? Why would David, a man after God's own heart, go down this road? What makes a person go this route? Have you ever found yourself going down this path?
3. As the story continues in vs. 5-17, we see David's path spiral out of control. Is this normal today? What happens when we commit one sin, and then another? Does it seem like David even sees the problem with this? Is it possible for people to be so blinded by their sin that they don't even think they're sinning? How is that possible?

LIFE APPLICATION

In verses 26 and 27, David does something that he probably thinks a.) is the correct way to handle the situation, b.) covers his backside when it comes to his sin, and c.) doesn't really matter, because he's the king, and he can do whatever he wants. We all sin and fall short of the glory of God, but that doesn't mean we should be ok with that sin or try to cover it up. There needs to be repentance. What sins are you struggling with right now? You can't hide from God. Take those sins to Him, repent, and ask for forgiveness. This was David's biggest mistake when it came to his sins as King. None of us are bigger than God. Many times, when life is good, we tend to put our trust in God less. When life is difficult, that when we lean on Him the most. Make sure you don't fall into the trap that comfort can bring into your relationship with God.

CHALLENGE

As a group, are you comfortable with each other? Are you able to share virtually anything? That's one of the greatest feelings in the world; knowing you have people that you can trust. Just be sure that you don't take that relationship with each other for granted. It's pretty common for us all to treat the people we love the most with the most contempt at times. Comfort can bring out the best and the worst in us. Make sure to always give your best with how you treat others in the group.