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**The Story of David and Bathsheba  
(2 Samuel 11-12:13)**

*"In the spring of the year, when kings normally go out to war, David sent Joab and the Israelite army to fight the Ammonites. They destroyed the Ammonite army and laid siege to the city of Rabbah. However, David stayed behind in Jerusalem. Late one afternoon, after his midday rest, David got out of bed and was walking on the roof of the palace. As he looked out over the city, he noticed a woman of unusual beauty taking a bath. He sent someone to find out who she was, and he was told, She is Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite. Then David sent messengers to get her; and when she came to the palace, he slept with her. She had just completed the purification rites after having her menstrual period. Then she returned home. Later, when Bathsheba discovered that she was pregnant, she sent David a message, saying, I'm pregnant." 2 Samuel 11:1-5 (NLT)*

**Four Steps to Conquering the Giant of Temptation**

**1. ADMIT THAT I AM**

*"So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall!"*

**1 Corinthians 10:12 (NIV)**

**MEMORY VERSE:** *“No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.”* **1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV)**

### **David’s Prayer**

*“Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.”*  
**Psalm 139:23 (NIV)**

## **2. UNDERSTAND THE BATTLE OF TEMPTATION.**

*“So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won’t be doing what your sinful nature craves. The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions.*

*But when you are directed by the Spirit, you are not under obligation to the law of Moses. When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these.*

*Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God. But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things! Those who belong to Christ Jesus have nailed the passions and desires of their sinful nature to his cross and crucified them there.*

*Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit’s leading in every part of our lives.”* **Galatians 5:16–25 (NLT)**

**3. AVOID THE                      AND                      THAT TEMPT ME.**

*“Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body.”*

**1 Corinthians 6:18 (NLT)**

*“Don’t be fooled by those who say such things, for bad company corrupts good character.”* **1 Corinthians 15:33 (NLT)**

**4. FOCUS ON                      NOT THE TEMPTATION.**

*“And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise.”* **Philippians 4:8 (NLT)**

*“But God removed Saul and replaced him with David, a man about whom God said, ‘I have found David son of Jesse, a man after my own heart. He will do everything I want him to do.’”* **Acts 13:22 (NLT)**

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- I will memorize **1 Corinthians 10:13 (NIV)**
- I am accepting Christ for the first time
- I am recommitting my life to God
- I want to join the New Life Church Family
- I will identify my temptation
- I will ask God for a way out
- I will get the resources for my computer to block porn

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