

Seriously Coming Clean; Living Serious Joy, May 14-17, 2026

WHY LEARNING COMMUNITIES? *Circle Two Opportunity...*

To become better and better disciples of Christ TOGETHER so we can face **anything** through...

1. Deeper learning of Biblical truth and
2. Stronger “iron sharpening iron” relationships

Ephesians 4:12–16 (ESV)

Bible Recap Readings: 2 Samuel 8-12, 1 Chronicles 18-20, (1010-1003 B.C.) and assorted Psalms

David’s Historic Victories and Leadership:

Application: why are these chapters important? how do they move “His-Story” along?

2 Sam 8 David's Victories, David's Officials = leadership, organization. Note: sons in positions of power.

2 Sam 9 David's Kindness to Mephibosheth

1 Ch 18 David Defeats His Enemies, David's Administration

2 Sam 10 David Defeats Ammon and Syria

1 Ch 19 Ammonites Disgrace David's Men, Ammonites & Syrians Defeated

1 Ch 20 The Capture of Rabbah, Philistine Giants Killed

THEME 2: David’s Historic Sins and Historic Confession

2 Sam 11 David and Bathsheba

2 Sam 12 Nathan Rebukes David, David confesses, David's Child Dies, Solomon's Birth,

From Sermon: applying the deep lessons of David’s defiance

1. The Long Game Set-Up.

Factors of David giving in to temptation

✓ High passion.

✓ High Stress.

1010 BC, Saul dies, king over Judah; 1005, David demands Michal be given to him; 1003, King over all Israel

1000, Takes many concubines and wives; 1000 – returns ark to Jerusalem, Michal’s disdain, Davidic Covenant

998-993, Constant war to establish kingdom, defeat God’s enemies; 993, Bathsheba

✓ Absolute power.

✓ Alone-ness.

✓ Demonic enemies – always about 2 realities, Seen and Unseen

John 10:10 (ESV) The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

Ephesians 6:12 (ESV) ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

2. The Trajectory Changing Choices.

2 Samuel 11 (ESV) (Bible Recap page 690/ pew Bible page 262)

✓ Neglecting God assigned responsibilities, v 1

✓ Lingered, vs 2-3

✓ Deliberate disobedience, vs 4-5

✓ Escalating sins, vs 6-27

3. The Response to God’s Conviction.

2 Samuel 12:1–15 (ESV)

➔ Admit guilt

2 Samuel 12:13a (ESV)

→ Deep Godly sorrow

2 Corinthians 7:9–10 (ESV) ⁹As it is, I rejoice, not because you were grieved, but because you were grieved into repenting. For you felt a godly grief, so that you suffered no loss through us. ¹⁰For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.

Psalm 51:1-12 (ESV) (Bible Recap page 695/ pew Bible page 474)

→ Change behavior from selfish to Christ-following

James 4:7–10 (ESV) ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

Psalm 51:13b-15

→ God's Forgiveness and Restoration, but with consequences

2 Samuel 12:13b-15 (ESV)

→ If time: **Psalm 23**, May Memory Verse – break it down... how do we experience each phrase?

Psalm 23 (ESV) A Psalm of David. (Bible Recap page 647, pew Bible page 458)

Other Psalms in Bible Recap this week

Ps 25 Teach Me Your Paths

Ps 29 Ascribe to the Lord Glory

Ps 33 The Steadfast Love of the Lord

Ps 36 How Precious Is Your Steadfast Love

Ps 39 What Is the Measure of My Days?

Ps 50 God Himself Is Judge

Ps 53 There Is None Who Does Good

Ps 60 He Will Tread Down Our Foes

Ps 75 God Will Judge with Equity

Ps 20 Trust in the Name of the Lord Our God

Ps 65 O God of Our Salvation

Ps 66 How Awesome Are Your Deeds

Ps 67 Make Your Face Shine upon Us

Ps 69 Save Me, O God

Ps 70 O Lord, Do Not Delay

Ps 32 Blessed Are the Forgiven

Ps 51 Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God

Ps 86 Great Is Your Steadfast Love

Ps 122 Let Us Go to the House of the Lord

Chronological Guide: pages p. 53

Takeaways: