



2021 3Q Rest In Christ: Lesson 4 The Cost of Rest

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SUNDAY

Read second paragraph, “David saw...” The lesson brings up two kinds of laws: Human imposed laws—David, the king, didn’t have to follow the rules that governed everyone else—i.e. the law of the land, but he was not above God’s law, what does this mean?

- Why isn’t David above God’s law?
- Is it because God sent Nathan to confront Him, God is keeping a record and God knows and God won’t let David get away with it?
- Why did God send Nathan? Was it to enforce the law?
- Or was it because David was already suffering and didn’t know it and God sent Nathan to save David, to heal David, to bring David to repentance?

The lesson is quite correct in pointing out the difference between human law and God’s law. These two law types are the root difference between God’s government and Satan’s government. The two types of law are the key to rightly understanding the Bible, God’s methods, character, principles and actions. When we replace God’s law with Satan’s imposed law lie, then we misunderstand the Bible and misrepresent God.

Read the next paragraph, “Indeed, the law is there as a protection...” Was David’s only problem that Bathsheba got pregnant, the affair became public knowledge, and this caused the problems? If Bathsheba had not gotten pregnant, no one found out about the affair, his family didn’t rebel then would David have gotten away with it?

What is the problem with committing adultery—is it a legal problem or does the action itself do something to the adulterer? What does it do?

From my book *The God-Shaped Heart* p. 241-249:

King David

Consider the lessons from the life of King David. Early in his life, he experienced incredible victories over a lion and in single combat with the giant Goliath. Yet later, he suffered crushing defeat with Bathsheba and Uriah.

- How could David have such singular victories with the lion and Goliath only to fail so horribly with Bathsheba?
- Was the defect in David’s character that was revealed in his actions with Bathsheba not present within him when he faced the lion and Goliath?



- Or was that defect there, in his heart, at those earlier times in his life but simply not yet fully exposed and therefore not yet removed?
- What was the most significant difference about the situation David faced with the lion and Goliath when compared to Bathsheba?
- Would objective reality with the lion and Goliath provide David with confidence in his own human ability to defeat them, or were both those situations beyond David's innate ability to handle?
- Were they the types of situations that would almost automatically cause David to look outside of himself for help, to seek another power to overcome, to not trust in himself and thus turn to God? In those situations David did indeed trust in God and not in his own strength.

Throughout much of David's life, he found himself in situations when his own human strength was not sufficient for the task—not only with Goliath and the lion but also a bear, years of running from Saul, and in combat with enemies. Each of these situations instinctively caused him to reach out to God for help. As the old saying goes, "There are no atheists in foxholes."

But when David saw Bathsheba bathing below his balcony, he was in a different place. David was now king. He was in a position of authority, power, apparent control, safety, security, and wealth. He was a beloved and popular ruler. Perhaps David thought he could handle it. He didn't need God for this. This situation was in his ability to manage. (This is likely the reason God instructed him not to take a census, because David would be tempted to believe his strength was in his spearmen, infantry, bowmen, and cavalry and forget his true strength had always been in God.) But this is when David's hold on God collapsed. This is when selfishness took control of David's heart.

- Did the selfishness manifested in David when he took Bathsheba suddenly originate at this point in his life for the first time?
- Or was this selfishness always within David, but it wasn't until this time, when trials, challenges, and tribulations seemed in the past, that David was most vulnerable to its corrupting influence breaking out into the open.
- What was necessary for David to be saved? To be reborn, to die to self, to have a new heart and right spirit re-created within—to be healed in the inner man!
- When do you think this ultimate conversion experience happened for David? Wasn't it after his failure with Bathsheba, after Nathan confronted him?

It was then that David finally understood that he had a terminal condition of heart with which he was born and that he could not change. He needed God to heal and transform him from within. **His action with Bathsheba wasn't the problem, it was the manifestation, the outward symptom of a problem deep within that, if not removed, would ultimately destroy him.** When David realizes his true condition, he doesn't seek a legal solution. He doesn't perform rituals. He finally understands reality and writes Psalm 51. Reading this psalm through the lens of design law, David's amazing wisdom comes into stunning clarity.

¹Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.



From where do you think David wants his sin blotted out—recorded history or his heart, mind, and character? [if David wanted his sin blotted out of recorded history, then he sure didn't get that prayer answered since it was recorded in Scripture for every generation to read about.]

²*Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.*

He realizes something is wrong within his heart that needs purifying.

³*For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.*

⁴*Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge.*

He acknowledges his condition is terminal and that he cannot run from it; no matter where he goes he carries his sinful self there. God's diagnosis of his terminal condition is perfectly accurate.

⁵*Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.*

He realizes this problem has been within him his entire life. He was born this way, infected with fear and selfishness.

⁶*Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place.*

He understands that what God wants is to heal what is broken in his heart and mind.

⁷*Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.*

He acknowledges that only God has the healing solution. Only the Creator can re-create him back to God's original intent. [And using the symbols of the sanctuary service here is evidence that the sanctuary service was just symbolic of cleansing the heart and David understood that that old system didn't save but merely taught the deeper lessons.]

⁸*Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones you have crushed rejoice.*

⁹*Hide your face from my sins and blot out all my iniquity.*

He is asking to be renewed, to have the crushing guilt and shame taken out of his heart, to be glad again, and to have fear and selfishness blotted out of his character so that he can one day see God face to face

¹⁰*Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.*

He again acknowledges his need and desire for God to heal his heart, change his motives, and renew his mind so that they operate upon other-centered love.

¹¹*Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.*



He acknowledges God's presence is where he wants to be, and only the Holy Spirit can fix what is broken inside and enable him to stand in God's presence.

¹²Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

He asks for the joy of healing and strength to stay compliant with God's treatment plan.

¹³Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will turn back to you.

He acknowledges the responsibility and privilege to share God's remedy with others dying of the same condition.

¹⁴Save me from bloodguilt, O God, the God who saves me, and my tongue will sing of your righteousness.

He specifically requests to have his heart healed from murder, from willingness to kill another child of God, and knows such freedom results in rejoicing and praise. [He isn't asking for merely the guilt to go away for the murder, but to remove the motives that led him to murder.]

¹⁵O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

He acknowledges that his natural heart cannot even praise God, but all praise is the outflow of God's healing love transforming him.

¹⁶You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.

He recognizes that rituals are meaningless, and God doesn't want them.

¹⁷The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

He realizes God wants the healing and restoration of his children back into harmony with him—his design of love—his protocols of life.

¹⁸In your good pleasure make Zion prosper; build up the walls of Jerusalem.

He asks God to make his helpers effective in revealing the truth and distributing the remedy to the world.

¹⁹Then there will be righteous sacrifices, whole burnt offerings to delight you; then bulls will be offered on your altar.



He understands that if Israel rightly represents God, then the rituals will be effective teaching tools to help people open their hearts and minds to experience the genuine remedy—the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

All through Scripture the message is the same. Humankind is infected with fear and selfishness (sin), which is deviant from God’s design for life and is a terminal condition (dead in trespasses and sin). God is working through Christ to heal each person, restoring in them God’s heart of love! This is what God is seeking to achieve in each of us—complete transformation of heart.

The Question Legal Theologies Cannot Answer

Design law, love in the heart, heals and removes confusion and misunderstanding, but imposed law injures and obscures. If you have friends stuck in imposed-law constructs, ask them this question: When did sexual relations between David and Bathsheba no longer constitute sin for David? This question has no right answer for those operating at level four and below. Every answer they provide is flawed. The following are typical level four answers:

- When he repented. But isn’t repentance turning away from one’s sinful behavior? Did David turn away from Bathsheba or to her?
- When God legally forgave and pardoned. Does that mean if a person today has a sin problem, for example, adultery or pornography, that once they ask God for forgiveness they can continue with ongoing adultery or pornography and it is no longer sin?
- When David married her. Is God’s law superseded by human culture and tradition? Is polygamy not a violation of God’s law even when local customs accept it? If today a Christian moved to a country where polygamy is legal, would it be acceptable to have more than one wife? Or would it still violate God’s law to do so?

Sinful humanity (and level four thinking) looks on the outward appearance, but God looks on the heart (1 Sam. 16:7). The issue is not primarily the behavior but the motivation of the heart. The relationship between David and Bathsheba was sinful when it was motivated by selfishness in the heart. It was selfishness that caused David to commit adultery. It was selfishness that caused David to murder Uriah—and all of this was sinful.

However, after David was confronted by Nathan, he had a true change of heart motive. He died to self, love replaced selfishness in his heart, and he wrote Psalm 51. With a heart that genuinely loved others more than self, David’s motivation was no longer to exploit Bathsheba for his own pleasure but instead to heal and restore to her what his selfishness had taken from her. And what had he taken from her? By his adultery and the murder of her husband, David had taken her name, reputation, station, livelihood, property, and home, and she likely would have ended up homeless and perhaps a prostitute. David had also taken away the one who loved and cherished her, the one who adored her and poured love into her life. The only way, in that society, that David could restore to her what he had taken was to marry her and genuinely love her.

This is real repentance, not merely turning away from a behavior but turning away from the selfishness in the heart and living a life of love. The penal theologies, based on level four



thinking and focused on the bad deed, would have added injury to injury by demanding that David turn his back on Bathsheba and abandon her to a devastated life. But love heals, love restores.

Those at level four also misunderstand the death of the child from David and Bathsheba's first pregnancy. The imposed-law view alleges this story is another example of God punishing sin—God killing the infant to punish David. Not so! We must remember Israel at that time was functioning in the role of God's actors to display God's plan to heal and restore from sin (1 Cor. 4:9; see chap.10 above). David, as king, was on center stage. The eyes of the world have been reviewing his life for millennia. The child that failed to survive (who was born with some condition that was not consistent with life, some congenital defect that caused death) was the product of selfishness. This is an exact object lesson: selfishness does not bring life; selfishness violates God's design for life and results in death. However, when love rules in the heart, then life, health, and wisdom occur. After David's heart was transformed, he and Bathsheba had a child born of love—Solomon—blessed with the wisdom of God!

MONDAY

The lesson asks why Nathan told a story to David before confronting his sin? It was a communication tool to help bring David to conviction, to get past David's own fear-based defenses and denial.

Why does David say his sin was against God? Because David betrayed God. God had been faithful to David. God had:

- delivered David from Saul
- given David victory over Goliath
- delivered David from the lion and bear
- protected David in multiple combat operations
- chosen David to be king and given David the country
- given him health, wealth, power, fame, intelligence

And David was God's representative and David misrepresented God, betrayed the trust God placed in Him in this situation. David's first loyalty and responsibility and friendship was to God and David only sinned against Bathsheba and Uriah because he first walked away from his loyalty to God.

TUESDAY

The lesson title is **Forgiven and Forgotten?** Read first paragraph, "After David had..." When does God extend forgiveness, before or after repentance?

Does God need Jesus in order to extend forgiveness to forgive us from His heart?

If Jesus didn't die would God have an unforgiving attitude, would He refuse to forgive us?



Does Jesus' death do something to get God to forgive us?

Another way to ask it, which came first, God's forgiveness or Jesus' death?

If God forgives us without Jesus' death on the cross for our sins, then why did Jesus have to die for our salvation?

Let me be clear—**Jesus' death as our Savior, as our substitute, was an absolute requirement to save human beings from sin**—yet it was not a requirement to get the Father to forgive us.

So, again, if God forgives without Jesus' death on the cross for our sins, and yet we couldn't be saved without Jesus' death, then why did Jesus have to die?

Because salvation is not legal issue, Jesus death wasn't needed for forensic, legal reason because sin is not a legal problem. Sin is a problem with our state of being—namely we are out of harmony with God and God's design laws for life. We are dead in trespass and sin. In other words, we have a terminal condition and salvation requires a remedy to that condition. It requires the remedy be procured and that trust be established so the dying will take the remedy.

Thus, Jesus' death was necessary to destroy the lies of Satan about God and restore us to trust, and also to procure the remedy that heals us—which is a perfect, sinless, mature human character built upon the operational application of God's law by a human intelligence—Jesus. Jesus is our second Adam, the One who, with human abilities, was tempted in all points like us but without sin and who through the application of His power of choice destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light by restoring God's design law of love back into the humanity He assumed.

So, forgiveness—God forgives all, all are forgiven by God. But, all to not accept God's forgiveness. The kindness of God does not cause all to repent, all do not open their hearts to receive the forgiveness and love of God to be reborn, to partake of Jesus, to be recreated in heart, to have God's law written upon their hearts; so even though God forgives everyone, those who refuse to accept are not healed and remain in a state of unforgiveness. These would be evidenced in those who crucified Christ. Jesus forgave them, yet they didn't respond to His forgiveness and thus they remained, in heart, mind, character, unforgiven—hardened, selfish, eternally lost. thoughts?

So, understand, in God's kingdom forgiveness is about reality, about God being a forgiving God, but a God of truth and while God forgives all from His heart, God does not deny the sinner the ability to reject that forgiveness and remain unforgiven.

What about forgetting? Does forgiveness mean forgetting?

"I, even I, am he who blots out
your transgressions, for my own sake,
and remembers your sins no more." Isa 43:25



“For I will forgive their wickedness
and will remember their sins no more.” Heb 8:12

What do these texts mean? Is this talking about memory erasure or something else?

- Can our angels read our Bibles? Do they know about David’s sin with Bathsheba? How can they if it has been forgotten in heaven?
- What about in the new heaven and Earth, will we know each other? Will we know our mothers and fathers and spouses and children?
 - So consider when David, Bathsheba and Uriah are talking and up walks Solomon and says “Hi Mom!” What happens then?
- Misunderstand the judgment –
 - Under imposed law the judgment is judicial and sin are bad deeds that we do and the record of the deeds must be erased and memory must be purged so no one knows because if people knew they wouldn’t trust us, or wouldn’t like us and we would live in fear and insecurity so the penal lie teaches that the texts mean memory erasure.
 - Under design law though we realize that the deeds are the symptoms of sinfulness in the heart and mind and that sin is erased from the character, selfishness is purged from the heart, evil is eradicated from the mind, but we all remember the history of how we suffered in our own lives from sin before Jesus healed us and we are thankful for this.
 - It is like having a child with cancer—while they are sick we must focus on the cancer and make all the interventions necessary to put the cancer into remission. But once they are well, permanently well, we don’t have to think about the cancer any more. But do we forget the doctor who cured her?
 - Mary Magdalene anoints Jesus feet
 - “those forgiven much love much”
 - Imagine being nominated to serve in children’s department and someone says....
- So how do we understand those texts about not remembering?
 - Analogy of child who fibbed coming home “here comes that little liar...”
- One can safely “forget” ONLY when reconciliation has occurred

Consider this historic quote:

Every question of truth and error in the long-standing controversy has now been made plain. The results of rebellion, the fruits of setting aside the divine statutes, have been laid open to the view of all created intelligences. The working out of Satan's rule in contrast with the government of God has been presented to the whole universe. **Satan's own works have condemned him. God's wisdom, His justice, and His goodness stand fully vindicated.** It is seen that all His dealings in the great controversy have been conducted with respect to the eternal good of His people and the good of all the worlds that He has created. . . . **The history of sin will stand to all eternity as a witness** that with the existence of God's law is bound up the happiness of all the beings He has created. With all the facts of the great controversy in



view, the whole universe, both loyal and rebellious, with one accord declare: "Just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints." {Mar 346.2}

WEDNESDAY

In the middle of the lesson we read, "When Adam and Eve sinned, they hid from God's presence (Gen 3:8). Why do you think David's request, even after his sin, is so different?"

Was David's response to his sin different than Adam and Eve's? No, it wasn't. Adam and Eve ran and hid because they were afraid, covered themselves with fig leaves and tried to make excuses.

David, when Bathsheba told him she was pregnant, ran and hid and tried to cover his sin with more sin, trickery, get Uriah to sleep with her, then murder.

But God came to Adam, gently, bringing Adam to realize God wasn't his enemy and Adam repented and looked for the Savior.

God sent Nathan to David with a parable, which brought David to repentance and his heart was changed and he looked forward to the Savior.

So, there is no difference. Our natural selves always react to sin with fear—fear of punishment, death, reprisal, rejection, shame, guilt and we always seek to cover it up ourselves, to make excuses, to blame others.

It is only in relationship with God, experiencing God's grace, God's love, that the fear is overcome, that we open the heart and experience the Spirit renewing us with the motives of Christ.

THURSDAY

Read first paragraph, "Probably the most natural..." What happens if we forget our past mistakes, our past stumbling, our past sins?

Multiple different philosophers have expressed this idea in a variety of ways: "Those who don't know history, or forget the past, are doomed to repeat it."

Is this true? Why is this true? It is only true because of design law, and the problem of sin—the law of sin and death, fear and selfishness.

It is not true that doing an experiment with certain chemicals in a lab, that if you lose your notes, forget the combination of steps, that you are doomed to repeat the exact same experiment. It is not true that if you forget the specific route you took on a long journey cross country, that if you travel again you are doomed to take the exact same route.



What is true is the law of God and what deviations from God's design law bring, the law of sin and death—every time because it is how reality works.

If we forget the principles of God, of truth, love, liberty, then in every case over time intolerance arises, abuse occurs, societies divide with elites rising to control assets, governments, religions and the masses are exploited and taken advantage of. This is what Satan's methods do—every time. History is clear, Satan's form of government is rulers who use power to dominate, control, take from others and inflict punishments upon those who don't comply. All kingdoms of this world are Satan's. God's kingdom is not of this world and operates upon design law, love, truth, liberty.

- Satan's form of government is opposed to God's. God is creator—Satan is a created being. God's law is design law; Satan's is imposed rules. God rules by love; Satan rules by fear and selfishness. God sacrifices self to uplift others; Satan sacrifices others to exalt himself.
 - Satan says he will ascend to the throne of God and rule over Isaiah 14
 - Jesus, who did not think equality with God was something to be grasped humbled himself into the form of a servant all the way to the cross in order to uplift others
- When Satan took Jesus to the mountain and tempted Jesus with the kingdoms of the world, how many kingdoms did Satan claim were his and did he offer to our Messiah? All of them—understand all the kingdoms of the world are Satan's. Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world, if it were my followers would fight."
- Satan's kingdom is the kingdom of power over, of imposed law, of made up rules, of enforcement, of coercion, of dominance, which throughout all human history has always resulted in a few ruling elites dominating over and exploiting the masses.
 - The Pharaoh's of Egypt
 - The Shoguns and then emperors of Japan
 - The emperors of China
 - The emperors of Rome
 - The Kings and Queens and Popes of Europe
- There have always been, in every culture, three primary powers that form coalitions to exploit the masses:
 - The government
 - The religious leaders (shamans, priests, popes)
 - The aristocracy—big money, big business, shipping magnets, land owners
- These are the principles of Satan, but something happened that eventually led to a new form of government and **that was the Reformation**. The Word of God was put into the hands of the people. As God's Word was studied, the principles of truth, love and liberty took root in human hearts again. The Enlightenment occurred. God's design law principles for life were applied—the law of exertion—if you want something to get stronger you must exercise it. So, people began to value hard work, then education, moral principles, and above all liberty, autonomy, self-governance.
- These Protestant principles led to the formation of the first government in human history built to promote both religious and civil liberty. The US Constitution and bill of rights was



specifically designed under the belief that human beings have certain inalienable rights endowed to us by our Creator and the purpose of government was to restrain other powers and people from encroaching upon these rights.

- Thus the US government was established to give power to the people and restrain:
 - the government itself—no search without warrant, no tax without representation, to restriction of movement, or commerce etc.
 - the religious powers—people were to liberty of conscience
 - the aristocracies—big business
- This created the first country which purposely sought to establish and advance the principles of liberty and justice for all—which are godly principles that came directly out of the Reformation. Satan hates it and these principles have been under attack from the beginning.
- Today we find that the United States is about to completely reject these principles and begin practicing all the same exploitive powers of all human governments throughout history—and this is part of the Bible’s end-time warning to the people of God
- The opponents of liberty and justice, those who want to strip away our inalienable rights and establish a ruling elite will do so by claiming they are advancing some form of justice, it might be:
 - justice for the environment
 - justice for people of color
 - justice for the unborn
 - justice for the weak and vulnerable
- But their methods will not be the methods of God, which is truth, presented in love, leaving people free, which converts the heart. They will not use government to restrain powers from encroaching inalienable rights, they will do just the opposite, they will use governmental powers to force their way, violating our inalienable rights while claiming they are only seeking justice, or equity. It is Satan at work, see it for what it is.
 - They will not unite, they will divide. They will lie, they will manipulate, they will accuse, they will silence, deplatform, censor, intimidate, riot, arrest, cheat, commit fraud. And any who stand up for truth, for openness, for actual equality as free moral agents, being created in the image of God, will be accused of being racists, or some other hater.
- They will divide people into classes that don’t exist in God’s kingdom in order to incite conflict and undermine unity—divide and conquer. In God’s kingdom there is neither Jew or Greek, male or female, we are all one in Christ. When Jesus returns there are not many denominations, there are sheep and goats and they are divided based on character—what methods to they live. Do they love others or do they exploit others and in so doing each person decides for or against Jesus. As you have done it unto one of the least of these you have done it unto me.
 - In the USA it was built in which people united on these principles of liberty and justice for all—but now it is being divided.
 - Understand the USA is unique as a nation in all history—all other countries are tribal, they are racist, they are divided by ethnicity—but only in the USA were the principles of liberty and justice for all, a meritocracy, ability, character valued and what mattered. Anyone could succeed if they applied themselves and worked hard—but all of that is



being denied and people are being taught a fraudulent system of values that is an attack on the Bible and the principles of God.

- God permits these events to unfold so that every person can decide, what law to they prefer, what methods they will practice, what God they worship—the God of love whose laws are design laws, or the god of this world, imperial, imposed rules, punishing god?

The difference this time though, is that when the USA finishes its denial of the lamblike principles of civil and religious liberties, when it speaks like a dragon and pursues justice through more inflicted rules and coercive pressure, there will be nowhere left on earth for the righteous to flee to establish a new government based on liberty.

Understanding this we see why those who seek to destroy the USA, the land of liberty, are so persistent in their attempts to tear down our history, to replace it with lies. It is why they:

- relabel the land of the free as the land of the enslaver
- relabel communism as socialism
- must rename college and sports teams
- Tear down statues of American heroes
- Remove names of the founders from schools and districts
- Reframe the flag from a symbol of liberty and justice for all to a sign of abuse and enslavement
- Change the date of the founding of the USA to a time before the USA was founded, they want people to believe the USA was founded by the colonies that we went to war to free ourselves from, to the European colonial powers that brought slaves here. But it requires a denial of reality, when slaves were brought here the USA didn't exist—how conveniently they forget that.
- Change the language and make you stop speaking words like mother—we must call mothers birther persons, or husband and wife, we must say partner; we can no longer use pronouns of male or female.

It is essential for the forces of evil to succeed that they destroy truth, destroy the record of history so that Satanic forces can arise and reenact the same abusive policies that take away liberty, undermine thinking, corrupt development, destroy individuality, and obstruct God's plan to heal hearts and minds.



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEW RESOURCE SOUTH AFRICA: *Could It Be This Simple?* is now available in Afrikaans. We want to give special thanks to Jacques van den Heever, who spent many hours proof reading and working with editors and translators to get this resource available. Thank you Jacques!

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