

2 Samuel 12:11-23

¹² You acted in secret, but I will do this before all Israel and in broad daylight.

13 David responded,"I have sinned against the LORD."

14 Your forgiven, However... you treated the LORD with contempt... son born to you will die.

16 David pleaded with God for the boy.

20 David got up.

23 Can I bring him back again?

Forgiven

"The LORD has taken away your sin; you will not die."

- 1. David compromised his moral authority to lead the people.
- 2. David broke civil and religious laws punishable by death.
- 3. He compromised his relationship with God.

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- 1. David compromised his
- David is released from
- 2. the legal and relational
- guilt of his rebellion!
- 3. Summer strip with

God.

1. Humiliation.

- 2. Rebellion and dissension in family.
- 3. Death of a child.

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taken away your sin... ¹⁴ *However*, the son born to you will die... -HCSB

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Dictionary / Thesaurus

"However"

1. used to introduce a statement that contrasts with or seems to contradict something that has been said previously.

Death of a child

- God is not "piling on".
- God is not going to reward bad behavior.
- This is not prescriptive but descriptive!



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"God has made us in his image, we have returned him the favor"



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- 4. Focus on the future.



For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God. -Eph. 2:8

- 1. David receives what he doesn't deserve.
- 2. Bathsheba gives us Solomon.
- 3. We receive what we don't deserve, at the expense of Jesus, who received what he didn't deserve.

