

KILLING GIANTS

BEFORE THEY KILL YOU

The Giant of Passivity

2 Samuel 13-14

David fails to act:

Lust unleashed

Murder unleashed

David fails to forgive:

Application:

1. Past failures must not immobilize present leadership.
2. Passivity seems safer, but the consequences are greater.
3. We must actively grant the grace we have received.

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My Application

Use the following questions this week to reflect on what it would mean to align yourself with the truths taught in Scripture. Each question is meant for both personal reflection and as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends, or small group.

- 1) What are the parallels between David's sin in chapter 11 and the sins of his sons Amnon and Absalom? How are they different? Did David cause their sin? Is he in some way responsible?
- 2) Why didn't David do something about Tamar's rape? How does a failure to deal with sin (by people in authority) actually encourage more sin? What would you do had you been in David's shoes?
- 3) David brought Absalom back after three years in exile but didn't meet with him for two more years. What effect did this have on him? Have you ever had someone that you loved deeply but you just couldn't bring yourself to forgive them?
- 4) What are some areas in your life where you are being passive? Inaction? Unforgiveness? What are some steps you can take to move to God's best for you?

Memory Verse

Like water spilled on the ground which cannot be recovered, so we must die. But God does not take away life, instead, he devises ways so that a banished person may not remain estranged from him.

2 Samuel 14:14