

1 & 2 Samuel Series

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**THE BATTLE IS THE LORD'S
GOD'S GRACE TRIUMPHS OVER SIN**
2 SAMUEL 11-12 INTRODUCTION

- 1A God blesses David and he unites and expands the kingdom. 2 Sam. 2–10**
- 2A God disciplines David for his sins and David reaps the consequences. But God transforms cursing into blessing. 2 Sam. 11–20**
- 3A Six appendices that evidence the greatness of the Davidic Covenant. 2 Sam. 21–24**

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2 Sam. 10–20**
- 1B David's unfaithfulness to God.
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- 2B David's rejection and return.
2 Sam. 13–20**
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 - 2C Absalom's rebellion.
2 Sam 15:1–18:33**
 - 3C The return of the king.
2 Sam. 19–21**

- A. David sends Joab to besiege Rabbah (11:1).**
- B. David sends for Bathsheba, sleeps with her, she becomes pregnant (11:2–5).**
- C. David conspires to have Uriah murdered (11:6–17).**
- D. Joab sends David a message (11:18–27a).**
- E. The Lord is displeased with David (11:27b).**
- D'. The Lord sends David a messenger (12:1–14).**
- C'. The Lord strikes David's infant son, who dies (12:15–23).**
- B'. David sleeps with Bathsheba, who becomes pregnant (12:24–25).**
- A'. Joab sends for David to besiege and capture Rabbah (12:26–31).**

1. The writer's main point in this section in terms of the literary structure is to lay the groundwork for the birth and choice of Solomon as the heir.

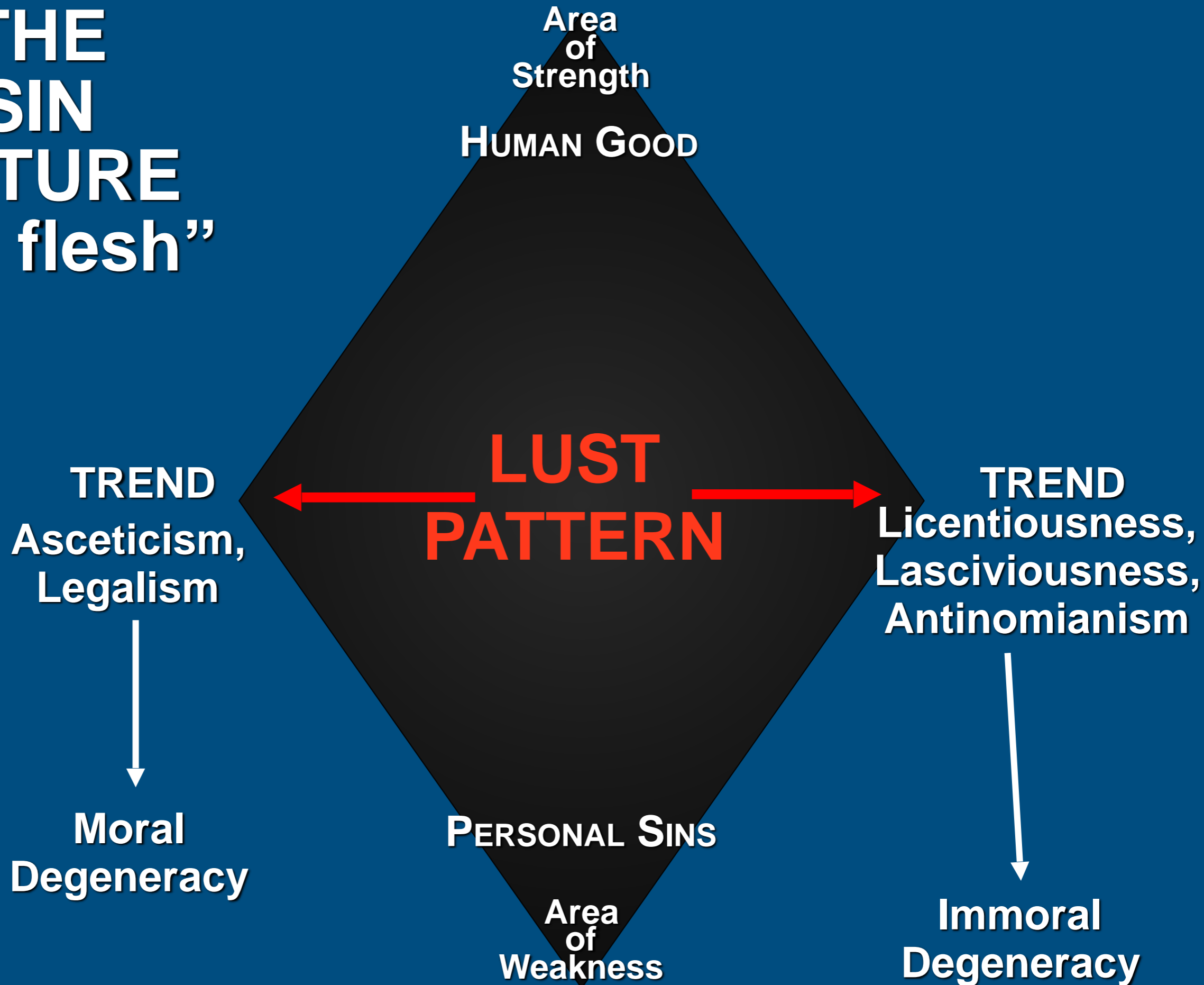
2. At a personal, spiritual level, Grace is the overarching message.

1 Pet. 2:11, “Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul,”

2 Pet. 1:4, “by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.”

2 Pet. 2:10, “and especially those who walk according to the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise authority. They are presumptuous, self-willed. They are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries,”

THE SIN NATURE “the flesh”



Gen. 3:6, “So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate.”

Gen. 4:7, “If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it.”

James 1:14, “But each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires [lust, *epithumia*] and enticed [takes the bait].

James 1:15, “Then, when desire [lust, *epithumia*] has conceived, it gives birth to sin; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth [carnal] death [living like a spiritually dead person].”

1 John 2:15, “Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

1 John 2:16, “For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

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3. At a broader level, the books of Samuel draw out the historical consequences of Israel's demand for a king in light of Samuel's warning in 1 Sam. 8:4ff.

**Prov. 16:18, “Pride goes before
destruction, and a haughty spirit before a
fall.”**

4. At the level of the central message of the book, we learn that even David as the ideal human king is terribly flawed and corrupted. No human can bring in utopia!!