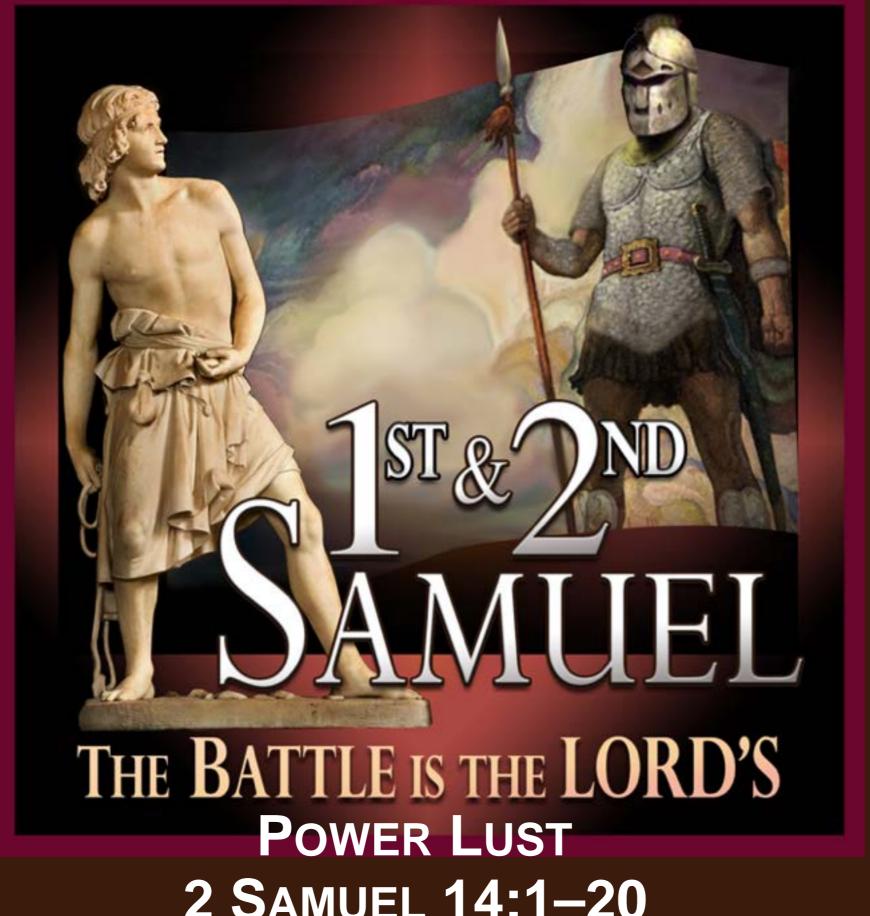
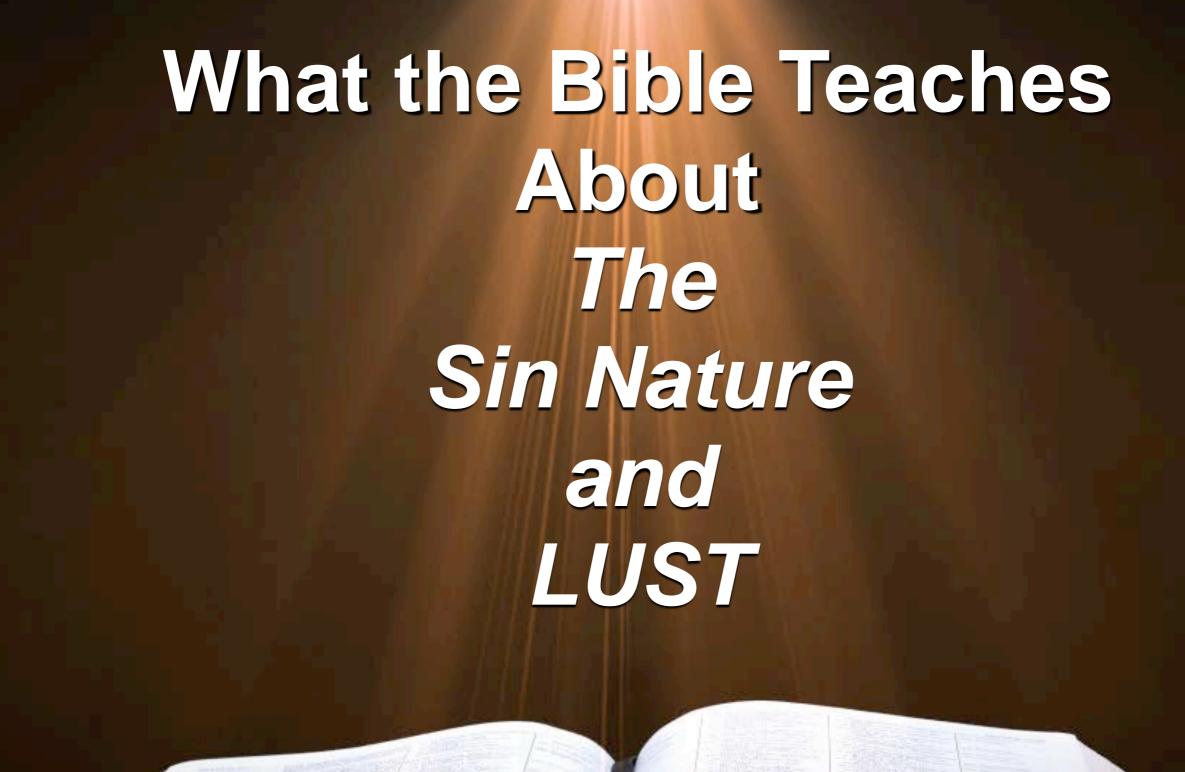
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2 SAMUEL 14:1-20





## THE SIN NATURE

Area of Strength HUMAN GOOD

TREND Asceticism, Legalism, Rationalism

Moral Degeneracy LUST \_ PATTERN

Personal Sins

Area of Weakness TREND
Licentiousness,
Lasciviousness,
Antinomianism,
Irrationalism,
Mysticism

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

ἐπιθυμία *epithumia* desire, lust, covetous

1. The dynamics of lust patterns are described in two key passages.

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." ~NKJV

Gen. 4:7, "If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is contrary to you, but you must rule over it." ~NASB

Genesis 4:7, "If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin crouches at the door. And its desire is to control you, but you should rule over it." ~RD









2. Living on the basis of our lust drives, enslaves, and destroys us.

3. The solution is to not feed the beast. It comes down to volition.

Gal. 5:16, "I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh."

4. The solution is to think in terms of our new identity, and not let sin control us.

Rom. 6:11, "Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Rom. 6:12, "Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts."

Gal. 5:24, "And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires."

4. The solution is to think in terms of our new identity, and not let sin control us.

Rom. 13:14, "But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts."

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Eph. 4:22, "that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man [who we were before we were saved—not the sin nature] which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts,"

## Pseudo-wisdom

Rom. 1:21, "because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Rom. 1:22, "Professing to be wise, they became fools,"

Prov. 1:5, "A wise man will hear and increase learning, and a man of understanding will attain wise counsel,"

Prov. 3:35, "The wise shall inherit glory, But shame shall be the legacy of fools."

Prov. 19:20, "Listen to counsel and receive instruction, That you may be wise in your latter days."

- I. Absalom flees
- II. Absalom returns
- III. David flees
- IV. David returns





2 Samuel 14:25, "Now in all Israel there was no one who was praised as much as Absalom for his good looks. From the sole of his foot to the crown of his head there was no blemish in him."

1 Samuel 16:6, "So it was, when they came, that he looked at Eliab and said, 'Surely the Lord's anointed is before Him!'"

1 Samuel 16:7, "But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.'"

- 2 Samuel 14:27, "To Absalom were born three sons, and one daughter whose name was Tamar. She was a woman of beautiful appearance.
- 2 Samuel 14:28, "And Absalom dwelt two full years in Jerusalem, but did not see the king's face."