

Abide In Peace

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2 Samuel 12:1-18

When confronted with his sin, David made no excuses. He repented, asking God to create a pure heart in him. Even so, he pleaded with God for his son's life. After his son's death, he accepted the judgment of God. He then continued his life and was called a man after God's own heart.

"The wages of the righteous is life, but the earnings of the wicked are sin and death" (Proverbs 10:16). Do the sinful prosper? We observe that some do, at least in material goods and influence. They seem to live well. Others obviously are deeply troubled by the consequences of sin. Yet, do any live in peace? Sin and the things gained through it cannot fill the human heart or life.

"Shalom" is the Jewish term that is often translated "peace." It means that all is as it should be. We are comfortable in God's presence. We are whole and complete. Making righteous choices, we can live our lives and live abundantly. We can rest peacefully at night and abide in God's presence every day.

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