

DAVID THE KING

There is good news for those of us who have made serious mistakes in our past. Let's look into some Biblical case studies.

- 1. David didn't need a second chance. Who did he kill? (1 Sam 17:48-51)
- David didn't need a second chance. Things were going well for him. Who was his best friend? (18:1-4)
- 3. A guy who is popular does not need second chances. Who was David more popular than? (18:7) _____
- 4. Who was afraid of David? (18:12)
- 5. Who was with David? (18:12) _____
- 6. How was David successful? (18:27)
- 7. How do we know that David was a popular & successful leader? (22:2)
- 8. What did David finally achieve? (2 Sam. 2:4; 5:3)

Wait a minute! Why are we discussing a second chance for David? He had everything going for him. He was successful at just about everything. He was on top of his world. Even though he had a good relationship with God, that did not mean that his pride, ego, & self-importance wouldn't kick in and bring him down. Unfortunately, it happens to all of us.

9. What did David not do that he should have done? (2 Sam. 11:1)

- 10. ___Y__N Do you think David thought that he was really important, and then started using his time for the wrong reasons?
- 11. God had a plan for David. However, David started concentrating on lust, greed, selfishness & addictions. What did David do? (11:2-27)

- 13. ____Y___N This sin by David was unforgiveable.
- 14. ____Y___N David was cut off from the love of God forever.

15. ___Y__N Any useful purpose for David's life was over.

David had a life of success. He did things right. You and I can have a life of success too. We might not do everything right; we might get away with a lot of bad things. David committed adultery & murder. He still got second chances. God allowed him to use his future life to honor God & do good.

- 16. <u>He could have been alone forever</u>. What second chance did God Give him? (2 Sam. 12:24-25)
- 17. <u>He could have run away & hidden in a cave</u> for the rest of his life. What did he return to? (12:29) _____
- 18. <u>He could have been abandoned & forsaken</u>? What did he still have in his life? (13:31; 15:15) _____
- 19. <u>He could have been angry, hard, and hateful</u>. What kind of a person did he become? (14:33)
- 20. <u>Y</u>N <u>Was he able to cry</u> and show emotion? (15:30)
- 21. ___Y__N <u>Did his enemies & foreigners hate him</u>? (15:21)
- 22. <u>He got to go back to a place very special</u> to him. Where was that place? (19:15)
- 23. What kind of a *government leader* was he? (20:23-26)
- 24. <u>He could have turned away from God</u>. What did he do instead? (22:1)

Questions 16-24 talks about second chances. David could have shriveled up and stopped living. God had other plans. He continued being king; he continued protecting his people in battle; he built God's temple.

- 25. When David died, how was he described? (1 Chronicles. 29:28)
 a. He died in a good ______.
 b. Us died full of ______.
 - b. He died full of _____, ____, and _____
- 26. Do our mistakes disqualify us from a second chance? _Y_N
- 27. ____Y___N Are you ready for a few second chances?