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Full Grown Sin ***Dan Jenkins***

Listen to his words about dealing with sin. “Thy word have I hid in my heart that I might not sin against Thee” (Psa. 119:11). Hear his answer to the question about how a young man can cleanse his way, “By taking heed according to Your word” (Psa. 119:9). Pay close attention to the prayer offered. “With my whole heart I have sought You; Oh, let me not wander from Your commandments” (Psa. 119:10).

Yet that young man in his adult life, lusted after another man’s wife, committed adultery with her, devised a plan to kill the husband. You know who he was. He was David, the man after God’s own heart. What happened? To understand this story is to fortify our faith and keep us from making the same mistake.

James chapter one describes the path to sin that David walked. “Each one is tempted.” That includes David and all of us. Where does the temptation come from—not from Satan putting any man in a situation where he has no other choice but to sin. James says that the temptation comes from the desires of the flesh. “Each one is tempted when he is drawn away by his own desires.” His own lusts begin to rule in his heart, and he is enticed. This is precisely what happened to David. He watched a beautiful woman and the enticement carried him another step. These events in his life parallel how pornography enters our hearts and destroys men.

He then acted on his fleshly desire. James described this sin conceiving.

But it does not stop at this point. James describes it using these words. "It gives birth to sin." The line has been crossed and the door opened into David's heart and it became the source of all the other sins that followed.

Look at James words again. "Sin when it is full grown, brings forth death." Think of the power of full grown sin. Joseph's brothers were envious of Joseph's coat and the dreams of Joseph. Look at full grown sin. Some wanted to kill him. They brought the tattered coat to Jacob and watched their father grieving almost to his grave and not one of them told their father the truth. The Bible speaks of "adding sin to sin (Isa. 30:1). This is what full grown sin looks like.

How could this tragic story have been avoided? When he saw the beautiful woman and was enticed, he should have recalled the covenant Job made with his eyes. "Why then should I look upon a young woman" (Job 31:1). As the scene unfolded, he should have fled from the house like Joseph. God says to us, "Flee fornication" (1 Cor. 6:18). When temptation comes, we must never forget what full grown sin looks like!

Congregational News & Notes

Prayer Requested

Members

Mary Bolen, Luther & Jo Merritt
Ron and Nadine McDonald,
Sandra Epperson, Sue Harris
Fredie Stewart, Cindy Kidder,
Roberta Donaldson, Lisa Dukes,
Doug Crouse, Freddie Callis,
Betty Mosely, Teriyaki Anderson
James Morris, Freeman Kidder,
Andy Vaughn, Pearl Johnson,
Paula Wadley, Judy Ellis
Jerry Crabb, Karen Chance,
Mary Lewis, Roberta Donaldson
Gaylon & Betty Cooper,
Sammy & Shirley Puckett

Friends & Family

Horace Yearwood, Shirley Bolin,
Beverly Martindale,
Gladys Gowan, Diane Hubbard,
Brandi Rogers, Corey Allen
Kenton Lancaster, Roger Callis,
Caraline Rogers
Justin Puckett, Ruby Malone,
Jane Washington, Betty Green

Today's Sermons

AM - Moments with the Master
A Terrifying Moment
John 8:1-11

PM - Singing Night

Happenings

South Jackson

Today

Men's Business Meeting

June 29

5th Sunday fellowship meal
Evening service will be at
1:00 PM

Cards to Send

Goylon & Betty Cooper
201 Ed Moore Road
Beech Bluff, TN 38313

Betty Mosely
52 Auburndale Cove
Jackson, TN 38305

Weekly Record

6 AM	0
Bible Class	40/0
AM Worship	75/16
PM Worship	53/11
Wed Bible Study	44/10
Contribution	3881
Budget	4014

Those Privileged to Serve

June 22 - AM WORSHIP

6 AM -R. Pack, R. Clouse

Lead Singing: John Smith

Read Scripture:

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Opening Prayer:

Marion Thomas

Sermon: Ray Pack

Closing Prayer: Eddie Anderson

Communion: Joe Venable

Contribution:

Charlie Richardson

June 29 - AM WORSHIP

6 AM -P. Hatcher, J. Butcher

Lead Singing: Mike Wages

Read Scripture:

Jeff Dove

Opening Prayer:

Paul Hatcher

Sermon: Mike Wages

Closing Prayer: Joe Venable

Communion: Marion Thomas

Contribution:

Jerry Butcher

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Ray Pack

Opening Prayer:

Paul Hatcher

Sermon: Singing Night

Closing Prayer: Greg Long

Communion: Joe Venable

PM WORSHIP

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer:

Joe Venable

Sermon: Greg Long

Closing Prayer: Ronald Clouse

Communion: Greg Long

June 25 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Ray Pack

Opening Prayer:

Greg Long

Devo - Marion Thomas

July 2 - WED BIBLE STUDY

Lead Singing: Paul Hatcher

Opening Prayer:

Marion Thomas

Devo - Ray Pack

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Service Times

Early Worship	6:00 AM
Gospel of Christ - WBBJ	5:00 AM
Sunday Bible Class	9:30 AM
Sunday AM Worship	10:30 AM
Sunday PM Worship	5:00 PM
Midweek Bible Study	6:30 PM