

August 27, 2017
Sermon Notes
1 Samuel 15:1-23

Acts 13:22 ESV

22 And when he had removed him, he raised up David to be their king, of whom he testified and said, 'I have found in David the son of Jesse a man after my heart, who will do all my will.'

2 Samuel 12:9 ESV

9 Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and have taken his wife to be your wife and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites.

David's ACTIONS were the same as Saul's ACTIONS in God's eyes. It was their REACTIONS to their sin that differed.

2 Samuel 12:13 ESV

13 David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord." And Nathan said to David, "The Lord also has put away your sin; you shall not die.

Saul reaction was to hide:

1. Behind his words
2. Behind others
3. Behind religion

Genesis 18:25 ESV

25 Far be it from you to do such a thing, to put the righteous to death with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?"

Acts 17:31 ESV

31 because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

Micah 6:8 ESV

8 He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

"When you blame others, you give up the power to change."

Ways to take responsibility for your actions:

1. Pay attention to your conscience
2. Have people in your life who speak to your blindspots
3. Fight confirmation I bias
4. Don't play the "if-only" game

The only variable you have total control over is you. If you let your co-workers/friends/girlfriend "make" you feel a certain way, you've stopped being an active agent in your life, and become a victim.

Isaiah 1:11 NLT

11 “What makes you think I want all your sacrifices?” says the Lord. “I am sick of your burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fattened cattle. I get no pleasure from the blood of bulls and lambs and goats.

Proverbs 28:13 ESV

13 Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.