**Sermon 3rd May 2020**

**Fallen from Grace**

Read 2 Samuel 12:1-15

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1. **The parable vv1-8**

* What do you think of David’s reaction?
* Sin is our enemy within, David sinned against Bathsheba, her husband and God. In your own words describe the effect of sin in your lives.
* God’s reaction is of a Father speaking to a son. God was not please with David and yet God showed him much grace. Have you experienced that Grace?

1. **The judgement vv9-12**

* Despising the Word of the Lord is despising the Lord himself. What do you think are the consequences of despising the Lord?
* David broke the Commandments on at least four counts. Can you name them? What were the consequences of those sins according to the Law?
* Jesus spoke in the Sermon of the Mount about 5:21-30 about Murder and Adultery. What can we learn from these verses about the nature of sin and what should be our own attitude to it?

1. **The Repentance vv10-15**

* Do you think David was sincere when he repented? Why?
* Why do you think the Lord showed grace to David by forgiven his sin and keeping his life?
* "For forgiveness to take place a sacrifice was needed. The paradox of forgiveness is that it is free and costly”. Read verses 14-15 and in light of Hebrews 10:10-15, write down your own thoughts on Jesus sacrifice.

**Read Psalm 51**

**With this background to Psalm 51 now:**

* **Read Psalm 51:1-4**
* **Meditate on it**
* **Pray over it**