

David and Bathsheba

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To show that David's marriage to Bathsheba is not any sort of evidence for today's marriages in any regard. To show that David was not supposed to take this wife of Uriah, even after the death of the man, and that David was punished for doing so.

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"David was permitted to marry Bathsheba only because Uriah was dead"
How many times have we heard this silly remark from the anti-remarriage camp?

Firstly that would imply that David was actually at a point in his life where GODS rules mattered to him....that he was trying to live GODLY.

This man had just committed whoredom....adultery....with another mans wife....hardly the act to a man who was trying to follow Gods laws.

Secondly, David had Uriah sent into a battle that he knew would end Uriahs life....David murdered Uriah (2Sa 11:15) Again, hardly a man bent on living his life doing Gods will at this point in his life.

Worrying about whether or not God 'permitted' him to marry Bathsheba was not on Davids list of priorities at that point....neither was adultery or murder, obviously.

David didn't murder Uriah to give him the ability to marry Bathsheba, he had already shown himself capable of adultery and thus not too concerned about GODS will..... he murdered Uriah to cover up his sin.

Thirdly, David lived under the Mosaic economy, the law where Deut 24:1-4 was still intact.

David didn't have to wait for Uriah to die, he only needed for Uriah to put Bathsheba away for some cause. So there was no "need" at that point for Uriah to be dead in order for David to marry Bathsheba.

Lets look to 2 Samuel for another piece of the puzzle;

Why have you despised the Word of Jehovah, to do evil in His sight? You have stricken Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the sons of Ammon.

And therefore, the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised Me and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.

(2Sa 12:9-10)

Now, I'm not the brightest bulb in the pack, but it seems to me that God sounds a bit upset with David for going ahead and marrying this woman.

Notice that twice Gods word says that she is Uriahs wife still, even tho he is dead.

How could this be since she was released from that law of her husband with his death?

It is because, even tho she normally could have remarried with no problem, God isn't bound to the laws He has set forth for His creation. Even tho Bathsheba normally could remarry, for David to take her was wrong because of what he had done.

Some like to pretend that this as all ok because Solomon was born of this union, but the fact is that we see that David was punished for the rest of his days for taking this woman as his his wife.

David could marry Bathsheba, not because he was permitted, but because God doesn't physically stop any of us from doing the wrong thing.

Should David have married her?

Absolutely not !

If it were 'ok' to do so then there would have been no punishment involved for doing so !

Did God let him marry her and then still work things out for His purpose? Absolutely.

Mans disobedience and disregard for His law will not cause Gods purpose to fail.

Not even David taking the wife of Uriah could cause Gods will to falter.

Can you imagine a Christian today sleeping with another mans wife...a man who loved him as a brother...then this supposed christian turning around and murdering this womans husband?

The only reason David got away with murder was because he was king...who could touch him?

If this had been any other Israelite, he would have been put to death for his crime....eye for an eye, life for a life.

It is spiritless legalism that says that this man was lawfully permitted to take Uriahs wife for his own because Uriah was dead. It is a twisted, anti-christ mind that can even contemplate that David had any rights to Bathsheba after murdering her husband in cold blood.

Gods word clearly shows that David despised God in his taking of this forbidden wife and paid a price for the rest of his days for his defiance of God and His precepts.

Yet there are those claiming christianity today to say that David did have right to take this wife of Uriah and they do so to make it sound as if God Almighty is bound by laws He has given to man to follow. As if God Himself must approve of a marriage where a man brutally murders a womans husband and deceives her into marriage, her not knowing that he is the one who killed her husband simply because the husband is dead..as if God is tied to loopholes in His own law.

This is spiritless legalism that teaches these treacherous deceptions. It is this lifeless, pharisaical doctrine that we must strip from our Lords church. We write these things, dear reader, so that you will know the truth.