

A Place of Mercy

The altar is a special *connecting place* where God and people can come together with 3 significant elements.

We must bring, Faith. God provides the Mercy.
(The third item will be next week)

Mercy is never _____!

Don't be **Deceived** that some sins aren't that serious.
That will lead you into **Dangerous** compromises.
The enemy wants to **D**_____ God's Mercy.

For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world.
1 John 2:16

Lust of the Flesh	Lust of the Eyes	Pride of Life
Bathsheba		Counting of the soldiers

“... God opposes the proud, but shows favor to the humble.” James 4:6
Then David said to God, I have sinned **greatly** by doing this. 1 Chron 21:8

Simple Sins are . . .

S_____ and costly. 21:1-8

David sinned with Bathsheba and four sons died.
The baby, Amnon, Absalom, Adonijah

David sinned by counting soldiers and _____ died. v. 14

S_____ us from God. 21:9-15 & 18

God talked through Gad to David. v. 9, 13, & 18

If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened;
Psalm 66:18

Simple Sins require . . .

S_____ repentance. 21:8, 16-17, & 19-25

Confession was Personal (let your hand fall on me and my family)

Committed to obey & honor God, though it cost him.

Paid for the sledge and oxen - 20 ounces of silver = \$ _____
1 Samuel 24:24

Paid for the area - 240 ounces of gold = \$ _____

Threshing floor—Temple Mount - today is 37 acres

S_____ mercy. 21:26-28

God limited the punishment (*didn't destroy Jerusalem v. 15*)

He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities.
Psalm 103:10 (Ezra 9:13)

God Answered David with Fire (*Purifying Power v. 26*)

God used this altar experience for _____ good.

Mercy always has a Purpose!

David's altar confession _____ the Temple Mount.
One of Bathsheba's sons, Solomon, built the Temple.

“... Mercy Triumphs over _____.”
James 2:13b

Optional Reading:

(14 chapters)

God's Fire on the (altar)

Exodus 19 **Leviticus** 9 **Deuteronomy** 4 Judges 6
1 Kings 18 **1 Chron.** 21 **2 Chron.** 7 2 Thess. 1

The Glory of the LORD filling the place.

Exodus 16 & 40 **1 Kings** 8 **2 Chron.** 5 **Ezekiel** 10 & 43