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We want to take our Scripture text today from 2ND Samuel 12:11-14,"Thus saith the Lord, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes, and give them unto thy neighbor, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun. For thou didst it secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun. And David said unto Nathan, I have sinned against the Lord, And Nathan said unto David, The Lord also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die. Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the Lord to blaspheme, the child also that is born unto thee shall surely die." In the last several decades or so we have witnessed a plethora of secret sins that have been hidden in dark places concerning our nation. At the greatest levels of leadership and within certain departments of our government, wicked men, along with the rulers of the darkness of this world, have thought to conceal damaging revelations so as to manipulate our Republic. Men may conceal a matter, but the light of Jesus Christ will ultimately shine into the darkness and the darkness shall not comprehend the light. We read in John 1: 4-5,"In him was life: and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not." Some of the things that I believe our Lord is about to reveal will be so

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humiliating and embarrassing that certain entities will take their lives rather than face the shame and embarrassment. Some deaths will appear to be suicides while others will have been covert operations to perpetuate the concealment of their evil deeds. Readers beware: there are no secret sins that Jehovah is not aware of. As a child of God you will never read neither will you ever witness a greater public humiliation than that of the psalmist David? The spectrum of David's humiliation was proportionate to his sins of adultery and murder. We are forewarned in the New Testament scriptures that we will reap whatsoever we sow. The apostle Paul declared in Galatians 6:7-8,"Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting." It is a very dangerous thing when attempting to deceive or manipulate the Son of God. This is why the apostle Paul placed great emphasis on the previous Scripture passage by saying do not be deceived or do not be led astray. When men are deceptively led astray they not only begin to embrace certain lies but those lies are so designed to ultimately produce corruption which is always followed by death. Corruption will always destroy its victims. Regretfully, I must warn you that our present generation and society has become too casual in their

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mindset along with their thoughts and behavior towards Jehovah. The Lord God of Abraham will allow or suffer humiliation on a scale and in a manner that no human being could ever fathom or dream about. I assure you as the psalmist David perpetrated these two evil acts of sin he never once attempted to fathom the sorrow and corruption that he would ultimately reap. Because of David's egregious sins, God said, what you did was in secret but what I'm doing will be for everyone to see. There could be no greater public humiliation than for the King of Israel to have someone publicly discover his wives. Not only would this prophecy be fulfilled but it would be fulfilled by one of David's sons, Absalom. Ultimately Absalom would be encouraged and led astray by the advice of one of David's most valued counselors, Ahithophel. Reading from 2nd Samuel 16:20-23, "Then said Absalom to Ahithophel, give counsel among you what we shall do. And Ahithophel said unto Absalom, Go in unto thy fathers concubines, which he hath left to keep the house; and all Israel shall hear that thou art abhorred of thy father: then shall the hands of all that are with thee be strong. So they spread Absalom a tent upon the top of the house; and Absalom went in unto his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel. And the counsel of Ahithophel, which he counselled in those days, was if a man had inquired at the oracle

(or word) of God: so was all the counsel of Ahithophel both with David and with Absalom." It is needful to understand that up until this time Jehovah had always honored Ahithophel and his spiritual counsel and advice to David because it had always been godly. Sad to say, but this admonition or advice now being given to Absalom was about revenge, because Bathsheba was the daughter of Ahithophel's son Eliam. I beg of you today; please never under estimate the humiliation that sin can bring into anyone's life because of sin and disobedience. Ahithophel's wicked advice and counsel brought him to a place of death through suicide. Look with me please at 2nd Samuel 17:23," And when Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not followed, he saddled his ass, and arose, and gat him home to his house, to the city, and put his household in order, and hanged himself, and died, and was buried in the sepulcher of his father." Public humiliation came to so many in this story that it begs description. The fact that Jehovah allowed Absalom to enter in unto David's concubines Absalom would also be publicly humiliated when his hair would be caught in the thicket of an oak tree and Joab which was David's right hand man would ultimately slay him (please read 2nd Samuel 18:9-14). This public display of what Absalom did on top of David's house was the equivalency of being deposed of by a conquering ruler or King. Need I say, the rulers of the darkness of this world were the impetus behind all of this evil? Regretfully, as soon as men commit evil deeds Satan then stands a far off; all the while mocking, laughing, and scoffing at their public humiliation, shame, and ridicule. I read a quote many years ago which said: "sin will

take you further than you wanted to go, it will cost you more than you wanted to pay, and sin keep you longer than you wanted to stay." How many people have committed a particular sin but they never intended for their sinful act to take them as far as they went? The old cliché is true, "never under estimate your enemy." America is about to witness much irreparable damage coupled with untold sorrow and humiliation. As a child of God, it is imperative that we not only keep our president but our nation covered in prayer. Only by the grace and mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ will our nation remain intact and not become fragmented and torn apart by civil unrest. The rulers of the darkness of this world are so desirous in bringing to fruition a new world order that they will do almost anything to bring down this presidency. All the scurrilous scandals and rumors that have been brought against our president only demonstrate the world and their hatred for truth and righteousness. Even the author of the book "Fire and Fury" whose last name is Wolff should tell you something of itself. We are witnessing packs of wolves in sheep clothing slaughtering and maiming millions of unsaved people. If we do not pray for discernment we too can be caught up in this tide of deception and spurn the truth all the while embracing a lie. Every one of Satan's victories is based upon a lie: therefore Satan will use deception and duplicity as his method of propaganda. Most people are not aware of this fact but Adolf Hitler spent some time in prison before he rose to power. The greatest tool Hitler said he learned while in prison was the tool of propaganda. If you tell a lie and tell it often enough, you too will begin to believe the lie. This is why God the Father gave us the truth in

two forms: the Holy Spirit and the Word of God! Both of these are God's way of keeping you and I apprised of everything that is taking place in spite of this spirit of deception. I want to commend each of you and thank you for those who fasted and prayed with us last month. God will be a debtor to no man: therefore he will bless everything that you do in his kingdom. If you don't have a deep hunger and thirst for more of Jesus Christ, then I encourage you to pray for one. Jesus himself said in Matthew 5:6, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled." Jesus Christ will never send anyone away hungry and thirsty without providing divine supplement and sustenance for their hungry soul. As always, we humbly thank you for your love and support for The Voice of Evangelism. You are instrumental in helping us to impact many sinners and believers as well. It is our desire to always stir the hearts and the minds of the people of God so they do not become cold or indifferent. This year, 2018 will be a tremendously exciting year. In closing please pray for our president that God will protect him and give His angels charge to watch over our president wherever he may go or travel. Jesus said that the devil comes not but for to steal, to kill, and to destroy but Christ Jesus came to give us life and give it to us more abundantly. If you haven't gotten a copy of our latest book, The New Jerusalem Bride and the Mystery of the Church I encourage you to get one. If the church is the body of Christ, who then is the bride of Christ?

We Serving With You All,

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