David's Rebellion and Repentance (2 Sam. 24)

v. 1 – Anger of the Lord against _____ – David _____

• *Who* incited David? (1 Chron. 21:1)

• *When?* ~ _____

vv. 2-10 – David's _____ – make a census

• Joab tried to _____ David – but the king's word _____

• Led to _____ of sin

vv. 11-16 – God's discipline – David told to make a _____

• David left the choice with the _____

• Led to _____ for the nation – pestilence that killed _____

• Lord _____ – stop! At _____ floor outside Jerusalem

vv. 17-25 – David's _____ – produced _____ and mercy

• Prophet Gad commands David to erect an _____ for offerings

• David _____ threshing floor from Araunah the Jebusite

• Lord answered David – the _____ ceased (1 Chr. 21:26-27)

Take-Away – A fitting summary of the books of Samuel

1. The importance of _____ leadership

   • David's sin of _____ and misplaced trust impacted the nation

   • Seeking God's _____ and heart brought blessing to the nation

   A good shepherd takes _____ and stands in the _____

2. God deals with His appointed kings like a _____

   • When they sinned → God's _____

   • When they _____ themselves → forgiveness, grace, _____

   David _____ God was merciful. *Do we?*

3. God is the true _____ – He is in _____ despite human weakness

   • The threshing floor → the _____ (1 Kings 6; 2 Chr. 3:1)

   The place of God's _____ and sacrifices for _____ of sin

   • Also Mt. _____ (Gen. 22:2) – sacrifice of _____

   • A location just outside Jerusalem – sacrifice of the _____

   The veil was _____

Discussion Questions – 2 Samuel 24

1. What are some things that "incite me" to make questionable decisions, especially in situations where I am responsible for others?

   What can I learn from David's fall in 2 Samuel 24 as well the things I identified above?

2. Think of 3 or 4 examples of other kings of Israel and U.S. presidents in your lifetime whose sin impacted the entire nation.

   Likewise think of 3 or 4 examples of other kings of Israel and U.S. presidents in your lifetime whose heart for God brought blessing to the nation, or who took responsibility on behalf of the people.

   Any take-aways from your discussion?

3. What is *one thing* you definitely want to take away with you from today's message?

   How do you plan to *follow through* on that *one thing*?