



- *“Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.” 2 Timothy 2:22*
- *“Flee fornication.” 1 Corinthians 6:18*
- *“Abstain from all appearance of evil.” 1 Thessalonians 5:22*
- David thought he could handle temptation.
- Psalm 38 records for us a prayer of David after his great sin.
- If there is one lesson we should learn from David, it is this – flee from sin like you would a rattlesnake. This psalm reveals to us why it is crucial that we flee from sin and temptation.

**First, because our sin \_\_\_\_\_ God - vs. 1-2**

- David thought he had covered all his tracks, but there were two issues that he could not get away from: \_\_\_\_\_ and his own guilty conscience.
- God doesn't cast us off as His children, but He does \_\_\_\_\_ us and correct us as a loving Father.

**Second, because our sin \_\_\_\_\_ us of our strength – vs. 3-8**

- Sin and guilt \_\_\_\_\_ us. vs. 3
- Sin and guilt \_\_\_\_\_ us down. vs. 4
- Sin and guilt \_\_\_\_\_ us. vs. 5
- Sin and guilt \_\_\_\_\_ us. vs. 6
- Sin and guilt \_\_\_\_\_ us. vs. 7
- Sin and guilt \_\_\_\_\_ us. vs. 8

**Third, because our sin hardens our \_\_\_\_\_ – vs. 9-10, 12-14**

- David became spiritually \_\_\_\_\_. vs. 9-10
- David became spiritually \_\_\_\_\_. vs. 12-13a
- David became spiritually \_\_\_\_\_. vs. 13b

**Fourth, because our sin distances us from our \_\_\_\_\_ - vs. 11**

The price tag on sin is always \_\_\_\_\_ than we anticipated. This is why God's command is to flee, abstain, and run from sin.