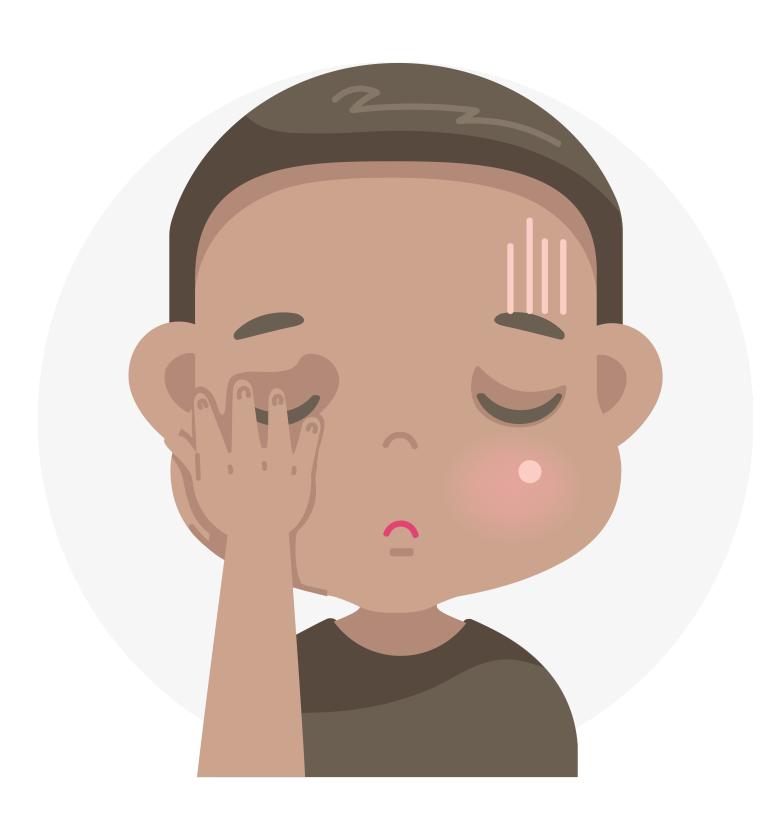
King David disobeys



'Kings fight each other in the spring. So David sent Joab with the whole Israelite army to fight the Ammonites. They beat the Ammonites completely and Israel's army started to live all round Rabbah. But David stayed in Jerusalem. One evening, David got out of bed and he walked on the roof of the king's house. From the roof he saw a woman who was washing herself. She was very beautiful. And David sent a servant to ask who she was. Someone said, 'She is Eliam's daughter, Bathsheba. And she is the wife of Uriah the Hittite.' Then David sent servants to fetch her. She came to him and he slept with her. Then she returned to her home. Bathsheba now had David's baby inside her. So she sent a message to tell David about it. '

2 Samuel 11:1-5

'In the morning, David wrote a letter to Joab and Uriah carried it to Joab. In it he wrote, 'Put Uriah in front of all the soldiers, where it is most dangerous.

Then pull your men away from him so that he is alone. And so the enemy will kill him.' So while Joab's soldiers were round the city, Joab put Uriah in front of all the other soldiers. And that was where the enemy was strongest. When some of the enemy soldiers came out of the city to fight, some of David's men died. And Uriah the Hittite died too.'

2 Samuel 11:14-17





'Suppose a man is seen sleeping with another man's wife. Then the man and the woman must both die. Get rid of those evil people.'

Deuteronomy 22:22