



2 Samuel 19

Absalom's sin did not happen in a vacuum. None of us sin and only affect ourselves. Sin affects everything in our lives at varying levels of intensity.

Absalom's sin with his sister Tamar...

- ...deeply harmed his sister
- ...caused irreparable damage with his siblings
- ...effected his relationship with the Lord
- ...diminished his opinion of his own worth
- ...created a breach with his father David
- ...created a divide in the nation of Israel
- ...set David's subjects to reject him
- ...caused a breach between David and his military

All sin leads to the death of something unless the repentant heart and confessing tongue usher in the redemptive work of Christ personally and corporately. Is there unconfessed sin in your life that continues to foster death between you and another? If so, is it not time to confess and seek reconciliation. The destructiveness of sin is far too potent to be left unchecked. It only takes a little bit of leaven to work through the entire batch of dough. Let's walk carefully and reverently for none of us sin in a vacuum.

I will raise up for myself a faithful priest, who will do according to what is in my heart and mind. I will firmly establish his priestly house, and they will minister before my anointed one always.

1 Samuel 2:35