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Lesson 97: 2 Samuel 14:1-11 How to Manipulate a King

Today, we're going to examine several verses to help us to have a correct view of ourselves through God's eyes.

Read Romans 1:18-23. What does God show to those who are unrighteous?

What does this tell you about how God views man? What did unrighteous man deny?

Ephesians 2:1-10. What state are we in when we are still living under sin?

Whose ways are we following when we live under sin?

What, according to verse 3, were we deserving of?

What, then, are those who still live according to the flesh deserving of?

What did God do because of His great mercy? What have we been saved by and through? Is that our own doing? What were we created to do?

Read James 4:4. When we are friends with the world, what relationship do we have with God?

What consequence do we face if we are God's enemies?

Read Romans 8:6-8. When our minds are set on the flesh, can we submit to God's law?

Can we please God?

As you spend time with God today, consider your standing before God. Ask Him to help you to see where you are in friendship with the world and, therefore are opposed to God. Ask God to set your mind on the Spirit, and to help you to humble yourself and submit to God's law. Thank Him that, though you are deserving of wrath and torment, he has saved you by His grace through faith in His Son.