

## ***Did God Give David multiple wives?***

2Sam. 12:8 And ***I gave thee*** thy master's house, and ***thy master's wives*** into thy bosom, and ***gave thee the house of Israel and of Judah***; and if that had been too little, I would moreover have given unto thee such and such things. *Josh 24:8; Eze. 39:23; New. 9:30.*

Note: "*I gave thee*" can only mean under his authority, in his care, in subjection to David as king. Why? Saul sought to take David's life. It is also interesting to understand that this denunciation 2:Sam. 12:5,6. by David himself points to David's adultery with more than Bathsheba. Because 3 of Davids other sons born to other wives suffered death showing God's displeasure with Polygamy. Bathsheba's baby 2Sam. 12:8; Amnon son of Ahinoam 13:29; Absalom son of Maacha 18:15; Adonijah son of Haggith 1Kings 2:24,25. *See 2Sam 3:2-5. Brides by Adultery Rev. 18:*

Deu. 17:14 When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt possess it, and shalt dwell therein, and shalt say, I will set a king over me, like as all the nations that are about me; 15 Thou shalt in any wise set him king over thee, whom the LORD thy God shall choose: one from among thy brethren shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a stranger over thee, which is not thy brother. 16 But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way. 17 **Neither shall he multiply wives to himself, that his heart turn not away:** neither shall he greatly multiply to himself silver and gold. 18 And it shall be, when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that he shall write him a copy of this law in a book out of that which is before the priests the Levites: 19 And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them: 20 That his heart be not lifted up above his brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment, to the right hand, or to the left: to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

## ***Other Evidence David put away his wives.***

2Sam. 20:3 And David came to his house at Jerusalem; and the king took the ten women his concubines, whom he had left to keep the house, and **put them in ward**, and fed them, but went not in unto them. So they were shut up unto the day of their death, living in widowhood.

1Kings 1:1 Now king David was old and stricken in years; and they covered him with clothes, but he **gat no heat**. 2 Wherefore his servants said unto him, Let there be sought for my lord the king a young virgin: and let her stand before the king, and let her cherish him, and let her lie in thy bosom, that my lord the king may get heat.

Note: Bathsheba was still Alive see verse 11. Solomon followed the adulterous step of David. 1Kings 1:11 Wherefore **Nathan spake unto Bathsheba** the mother of Solomon,