

DAVID SINNED AND WAS RESTORED

2 Samuel 11-12; Psalm 51



One evening, David was walking on the roof of his palace and saw a beautiful woman. Even though she was someone else's wife, David sent messengers to get her and bring her to him.

David found out that Bathsheba was pregnant with his baby. But she was already married. So, David made a plan to kill her husband Uriah. David wrote a letter to Joab and told him to put Uriah at the front line so Uriah could be easily killed. Joab obeyed King David, and Uriah died. David took Bathsheba to be his wife.

The Lord sent Nathan to David. Nathan told David a story: "There was a rich man and a poor man. The rich man had lots of sheep, but the poor man had just one lamb he loved very much. When the rich man needed a lamb to prepare a meal, he took the lamb from the poor man." David was extremely angry with the rich man in the story! Nathan replied, "You are the rich man! You decided to take the

life of Uriah because you wanted his wife Bathsheba. You have done evil."

David responded, "I have sinned against the Lord."

Nathan replied, "The Lord has taken away your sin. You will not die."

Then David wrote a song to God:

"Be gracious to me, God. Wash away my guilt and cleanse me from my sin. Against you alone I have sinned, so You are right when You judge."

Christ Connection: When David admitted his sin before the Lord, he was forgiven. When we confess our sins to the Lord and believe in Jesus, God is faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.



LEARN

THE STORY OF THE GOSPEL

The Bible tells us what is true about God and about ourselves. All of the stories in the Bible fit together to tell us the big story of how God rescues sinners through His Son, Jesus.

» Look up and read Psalm 51:10. Then rewrite the verse in your own words.

» What does this story teach us about God?

» Who did God send to David, and what did the man tell David?

GOSPEL DISCUSSION

David deserved to die for his sin, but God showed him grace. We all deserve to die for our sin, but God showed us grace by sending Jesus to take the punishment for our sin. When we confess our sin, repent, and trust in Jesus, God will forgive us. Do you need to repent of your sin?



THE GOD OF THE GOSPEL

» Why do we try to hide our sin?

» Why must God judge sin?

» How did David show true repentance?

CHRIST CONNECTION

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THE MISSION OF THE GOSPEL

» Find Jeremiah 10:6-7a in your Bible and write the words below.

» Write a prayer to God, thanking Him for His forgiveness through Jesus' sacrifice on the cross.

READ THE WORD

Think about the forgiveness found in Jesus. Read one of the following passages each day this week:

☐ John 3:18-20

☐ John 3:36

☐ Acts 3:19

☐ Acts 2:38

☐ 2 Corinthians 7:10

☐ Luke 5:31-32