

# Small Group Discussion Questions

Series: Rise and Fall: Life of David

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Memory Verse: 2 Samuel 7:22 NIV

How great you are, Sovereign LORD! There is no one like you, and there is no God but you, as we have heard with our own ears.

*These questions aim to foster meaningful discussion and encourage participants to reflect on God's Word to lead to heart transformation. Feel free to modify or expand upon these questions based on the dynamics and needs of your Small Group.*

**Big Idea: To the one who confesses and repents of sin, God will ALWAYS extend forgiveness.**

## Read 2 Samuel 12:1-14

1. How does living with a concealed sin make you feel? Can you relate to the way David feels in Psalm 32:1-4? Why do people choose to carry the weight of their sin instead of coming to the cross with it?
2. God cares too much about us not to confront us in our sin. Are you a confrontational or non-confrontational person? Have you ever been on the receiving end of confrontation? What was that like? How did you respond? Have you ever experienced a confrontation from God and recognized it as His grace in your life?
3. Nathan is sent with a message that will lead David to repentance. Instead of leading with accusations, Nathan chose to confront David with a parable. What can we learn from Nathan's approach that might help us confront others in a way that will resonate with them? When should we approach others about sin in their life?



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4. Psalm 51 is written after Nathan confronts David. While David's sin impacted others, he writes, "Against you, you alone, I have sinned and done this evil in Your sight." How does this help us understand the deeper spiritual wound that is caused when we sin? Without Christ, what would be the result of our sin? If you were to share with a non-believer about the consequence of their sin, what would you say?
5. In response to the metaphorical story Nathan tells, David becomes furious at the rich man's actions. Why do you think David is able to see the injustice so clearly in this fictional scenario? When Nathan reveals that David is the one who has sinned, what is David's initial response? How does this compare to his reaction in the parable?
6. David was able to clearly see another's sin but was ignorant of his own. What factors do you think contribute to someone being blind to their own sin? What is your response when confronted with your own sin? How can we cultivate a heart that is more aware of our own shortcomings and more open to correction?
7. David repents after Nathan confronts him. Is there anything we can do better as a Small Group to cultivate a safe space where each person can feel comfortable confessing their sin? What does repentance look like beyond simply apologizing?
8. God recounts for David a sliver of the blessings He provided and said He would have provided more. Did God fall short in His blessings for David? How do we go looking for happiness outside of the provisions God has blessed us with? When we sin, what does our behavior communicate to God?



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