

1. What does this story teach me about God or the gospel? 2. What does this story teach me about myself? 3. Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good? 4. Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God? 5. How does this story help me to live on mission better?



Unit 11 • Session

## DAVID SINNED AND WAS RESTORED

2 Samuel 11-12; Psalm 51

## IS ANYTHING OR ANYONE GREATER THAN GOD? NO, GOD IS GREATER THAN EVERYTHING AND EVERYONE.

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.



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