



## 2 Samuel 12-God Pursues David

- All human leadership is flawed. All of humanity is flawed.
- For the first time in 1 and 2 Samuel, we are David. Broken, sinful, and seeking to hide it all. Where were you convicted that you must confess and stop hiding behind a mask of normalcy and adequacy in yourself? Will you find a trusted friend and simply ask for help?
- David, a man after God's own heart, a man who penned so many of the Psalms, is now deceived and believes that all is okay. Will you take a step of faith and simply not trust yourself and your heart? Will you ask that same close friend to help you see where you are blind?
- Hiding never leads healing. We are often passionate about hiding our own wickedness.
- God is both patient and in pursuit of us. And the Lord sent Nathan to David...In chapter 11 David makes the moves, but in chapter 12 God moves toward David and sends Nathan.
- Where we are sensitive, we are often trying to hide a pet sin.
- Grace and forgiveness are God's gift, yet the consequences of sin are inevitable. God wants to give us a clear picture of the reality of our sin. Will you beg God for this revelation, to see yourself and your need of him clearly?
- Grace informs us of God's fury over sin. He is passionate about making you like Christ, and will often make you uncomfortable to get you there.
- Confession and repentance are the remedies for breaking the power of sin. Confession is simply agreeing with God's verdict. Repentance is turning from yourself to God. Have you ever placed your faith in Christ, trusting him alone for forgiveness and peace with God?
- Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance? Romans 2:4