

LG DISCUSSION LIFEGROUPS GUIDE

Use these questions in your Life Group gatherings or for further discussion as a family.

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SERMON RECAP

Sin blinds us to our own condition and leads us to despise the value of God's word, but honest confession is how we receive the mercy, cleansing, and restored joy God has already secured for us in Christ.

THE LEAD IN

- Have you ever been the last person to see a fault in yourself that everyone else could see clearly? What was it like when someone finally pointed it out to you?

GETTING INTO THE TEXT

- Read 2 Samuel 12:1-14. Nathan confronts David with a parable instead of a direct accusation. What does David's reaction, before he realizes the story is about him, reveal about how sin had blinded him to his own condition?
- David's prayer in Psalm 51 shows us what was happening in his heart as he responded to Nathan. Read Psalm 51:1-12. What does David ask God to do for him, and why does he say only God can do it (v. 7)?

GOING DEEPER

- This weekend we looked at how David's adultery and murder were the visible fruit of something deeper: a heart that had come to despise the Word of the Lord, treating it as if it carried no real authority over his life. Where might you be quietly despising God's Word in a way that hasn't yet produced a sin this visible?
- Our instinct when caught in sin is often denial or minimizing and when we see it in others, judgment or gossip. How does David's simple confession, "I have sinned against the Lord" (v. 13), shape how you want to respond, both to your own sin and to someone in your Oikos who confesses theirs?

PRAYER

- Praise Jesus, the promised Son of David, who secured once for all the forgiveness David could only receive by faith looking ahead and ask for grace to extend that same mercy to those in your Oikos.