

**DAVID REPENTS**

*God Will Use the Integrity, Wisdom, Love and Courage*

*Of a Brother to Draw a Sinner Back to Grace*

The Life of David, XVIII

II Samuel 12:1-15



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**OPENING COMMENTS**

**I. GOD SENDS NATHAN THE PROPHET ~ 12:1-7**

*There is nothing better than when God sends us messengers of His wrath. For then He can make us feel His mercy and cease to enjoy our sins, so that we may apprehend His vengeance and our conscience may torment us, to the extent of humbling us to seek pardon and remission in Him, until He has accepted us.*

~ JOHN CALVIN, SERMONS ON II SAMUEL, TRANS. DOUGLAS KELLY

**A. Nathan’s Commission ~ God Sent**

1. Nathan’s Courage
2. Nathan’s Conviction
3. Nathan’s Fear of God

**B. Nathan’s Parable ~ Wise and Brilliant**

**II. NATHAN SURVEYS DAVID’S BEHAVIOR ~ 12:7b-12**

**A. David, You Were So Very Blessed!**

**B. David, You Despised God’s Word!**

**C. David, You Are Guilty!**

**D. David, You Will Live with the Consequences of Your Sin Until the Day You Die!**

**III. DAVID’S CONFESSION; GOD’S GRACE ~ 12:13**

## **Steps in True Repentance**

1. Realization
2. Revulsion
3. Resolution
4. Recognition
5. Reinstatement

Quote: *Repentance is killing the habits of your heart that are killing you without killing yourself.* ~ TIM KELLER

## **CONCLUSION ~ 12:14-15**

*For Further Study: Psalms 32 and 51; Proverbs 27:6; 28:13; Isaiah 53:5-6; Matthew 5:3; 10:28; Galatians 6:1, 7; Hebrews 10:31; 13:6; James 1:5; I John 1:8-10*