

# FAMILY DEVOTION

**GAME OVER:**  
“Reset”



“Failure Isn’t Final!”



“But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.” - 1 John 1:9

## SAY:

Ever wonder how God feels when we sin? Does He get angry? Does He plot revenge? Does He say, “I told you so?” So many people, adults and children, have the idea in their mind that God is sitting in Heaven with one hand on the “zapper” and one foot raised in the air just waiting to STOMP on us when we sin.

## READ/PARAPHRASE:

Note for the Parent(s): *Read 2 Samuel 11, 12 ahead of time. Paraphrase this story into words and concepts that are age-appropriate for your children.*

## DISCUSS:

- Who was the king?
- What was the name of the prophet who told David the truth?
- What animal did Nathan compare Bathsheba to?
- How did David respond when he realized he had sinned?
- Who ended up being one of King David’s descendants? (*Look up together in Luke 1:26-27.*)

## SAY:

Through the story of King David’s sin, we see God’s heart and how He really responds when we fail Him. When we confess our sin to Him, He will always be faithful to forgive us. He will never hold it against us if we receive His forgiveness. From this story, we learn just how loving our Heavenly Father is. There is no failure that will ever result in it being “GAME OVER” for us.

## PRAY:

Allow those in your family who have failed but need God to “RESET” their heart to respond in prayer. Pray with them that God will “create in them a clean heart.”