



after God's heart

7 | Nathan Confronts David

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- David stayed home

- David glanced

- David wondered

- David inquired

- David sent for her

- David slept with her

- David killed Uriah

- David covered it up



2 Sam 11

²⁷ After the time of mourning was over, David had her brought to his house, and she became his wife and bore him a son. **But the thing David had done displeased the Lord.**

What David does in secret is not secret to God

What is now hidden will be revealed (Luke 8.17)



2 Sam 12

¹ The Lord sent Nathan to David. When he came to him, he said, "There were two men in a certain town, one rich and the other poor. ² The rich man had a very large number of sheep and cattle, ³ but the poor man had nothing except one little ewe lamb he had bought. He raised it, and it grew up with him and his children. It shared his food, drank from his cup and even slept in his arms. It was like a daughter to him.



2 Sam 12

⁴ “Now a traveler came to the rich man, but the rich man refrained from taking one of his own sheep or cattle to prepare a meal for the traveler who had come to him. Instead, he took the ewe lamb that belonged to the poor man and prepared it for the one who had come to him.”



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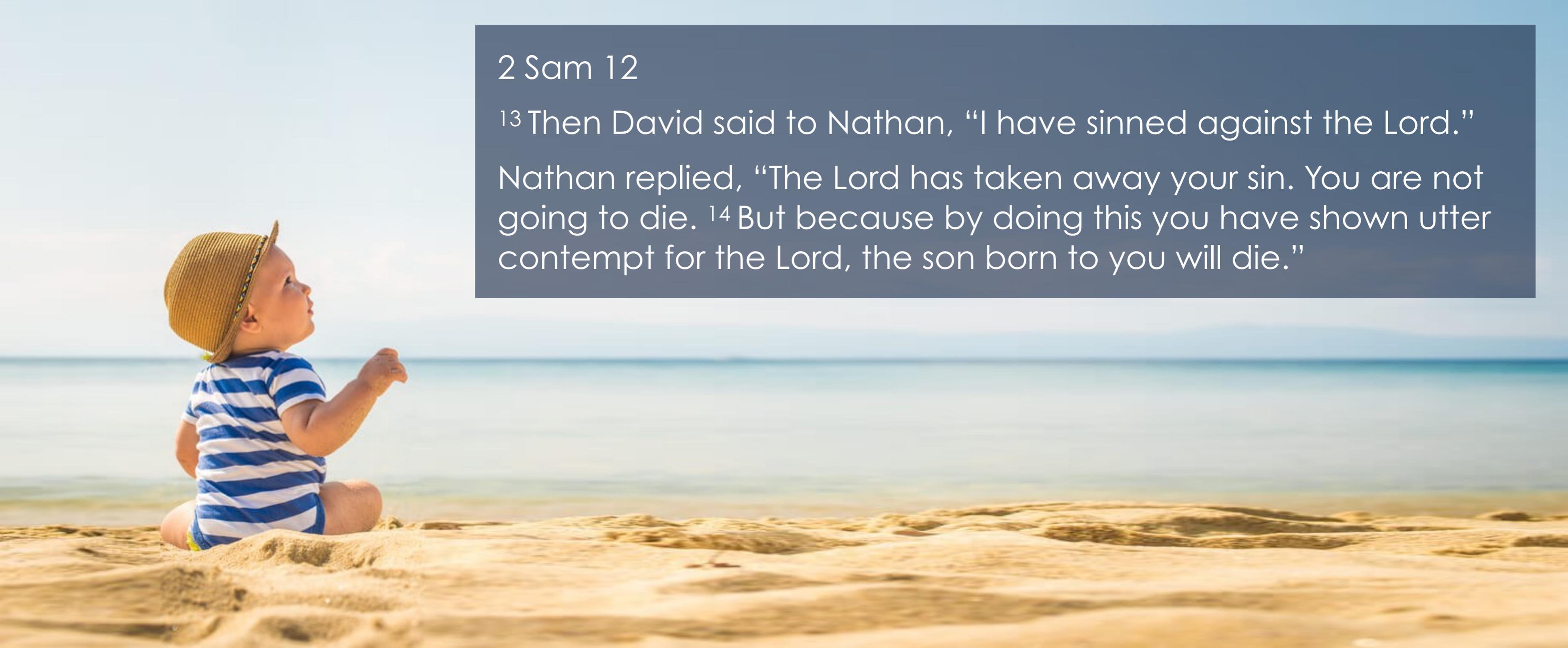


2 Sam 12

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Confrontation of David's Sin

Nathan - "gift"

"Faithful *are* the wounds of a friend; but the kisses of an enemy *are* deceitful." Prov 27.6



to whom are
you to be a
Nathan?

Confession of David's Sin

"I have sinned"

It's way better for you to choose who you want to confess to than to have your sin splashed publicly for you
be specific with your sin (see Psalm 34 and 51)

do you
need to
confess your
sins before
God and
others?





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Cleansing of David's Sin

God is faithful and just to forgive and cleanse us from our unrighteousness (1 John 1.9). This allows us to enter back into God's presence. This is what David does.



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Consequences of David's Sin

1. sword

Bathsheba's
child

Ammon

Absalom

Adonijah

2. calamity

Because David rebelled against God and brought calamity to Uriah's house, rebellion and calamity were going to be in his house.

3. adultery

David's son Amnon rapes his half-sister Tamar

Absalom takes David's harem

Adonijah tries to take David's concubine

4. "secret"

Absalom takes 7 of David's concubines and sleeps with them in public from the roof of the palace

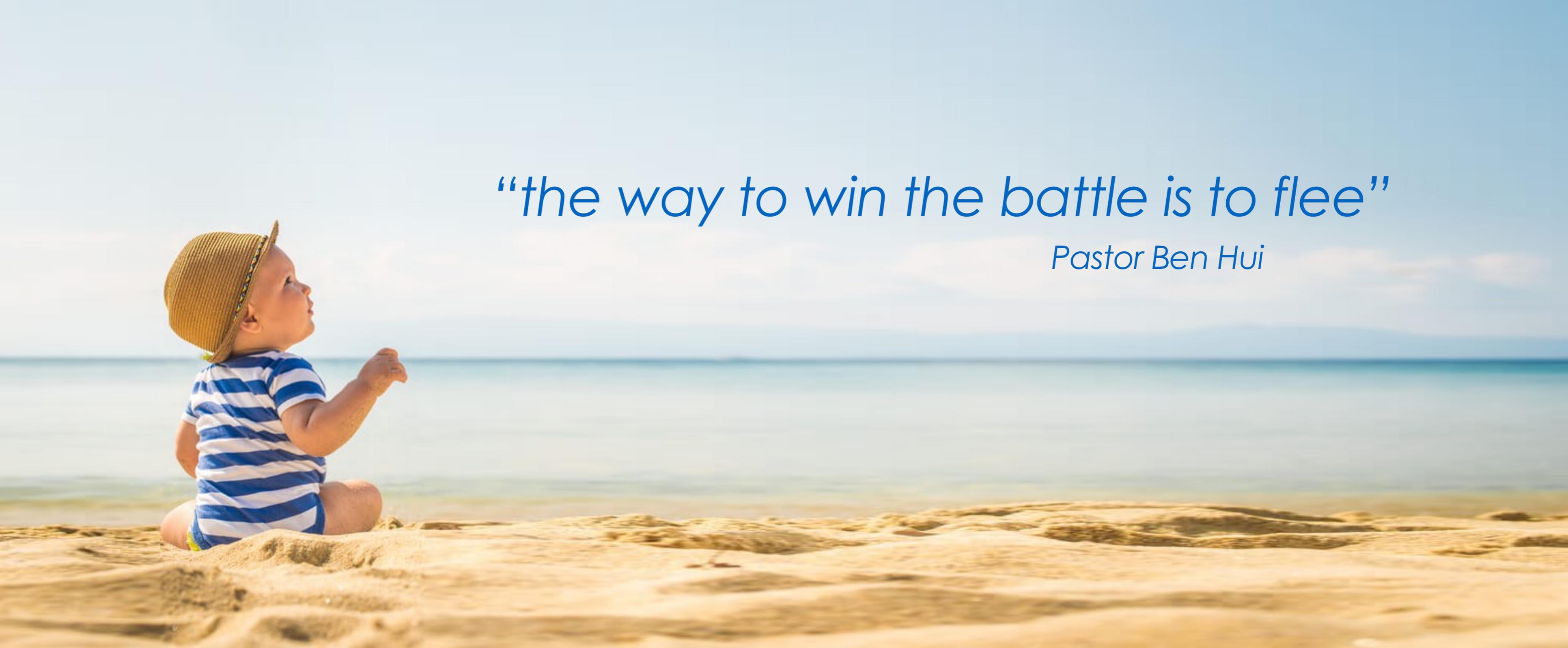


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why are the consequences so severe??

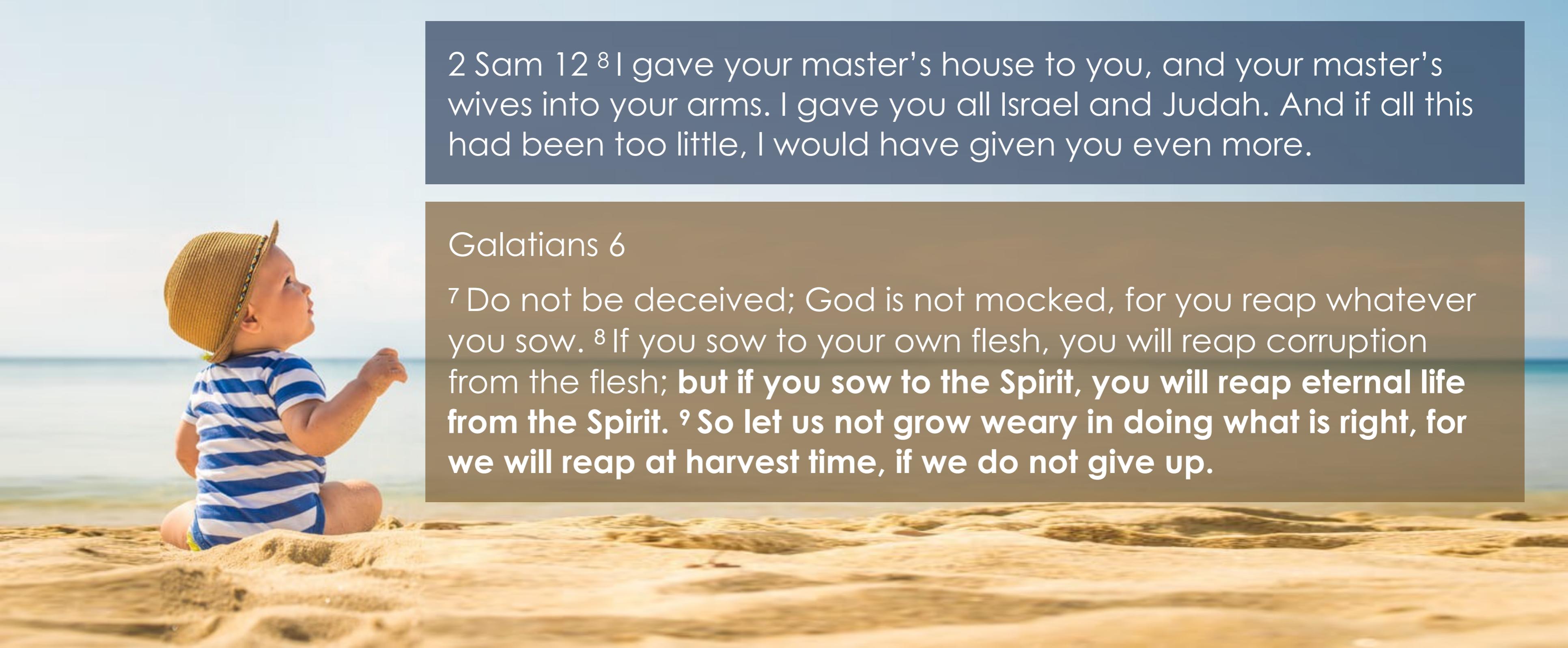
- This is neither personal nor punitive. It is moral law. I sow what I reap. God gives us over to our sin (and their consequences) - Romans 1
- Those who are in authority carry greater responsibility.
- God is jealous for the purity of His bride



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“the way to win the battle is to flee”

Pastor Ben Hui



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Galatians 6

⁷ Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. ⁸ If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; **but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit.** ⁹ So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up.



response

to whom are
you to be a
Nathan?

do you need a
Nathan?

what
practicals in
your flee from
sin do you
need?

do you need
to confess your
sins before God
and others?

will you sow
to the Spirit
instead of the
flesh?