



## I'VE GOT A SECRET, Week 3 CONSEQUENCES FOLLOW DISOBEDIENCE

*"But the thing David had done displeased the Lord." 2 Samuel 11:27b (NIV)*

*"The Lord sent Nathan to David." 2 Samuel 12:1a (NIV)*

*"The rich man had a very large number of sheep and cattle, 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 Samuel 12:2-3 (NIV)*

*"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." 2 Samuel 12:4 (NIV)*

*"David burned with anger against the man and said to Nathan, As surely as the Lord lives, the man who did this deserves to die! He must pay for that lamb four times over, because he did such a thing and had no pity. Then Nathan said to David, You are the man!" 2 Samuel 12:5-7 (NIV)*

*"This is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: I anointed you king over Israel, and I delivered you from the hand of Saul. I gave your master's house to you, and your master's wives into your arms. I gave you the house of Israel and Judah. And if all this had been too little, I would have given you even more. Why did you despise the word of the Lord by doing what is evil in his eyes? You struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and took his wife to be your own. You killed him with the sword of the Ammonites." 2 Samuel 12:7b-9 (NIV)*

*"Now, therefore, the sword will never depart from your house, because you despised me and took the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your own. This is what the Lord says: Out of your own household I am going to bring calamity upon you. Before your very eyes I will take your wives and give them to one who is close to you, and he will lie with your wives in broad daylight. You did it in secret, but I will do this thing in broad daylight before all Israel." 2 Samuel 12:10-12 (NIV)*

*"Then David said to Nathan, I have sinned against the Lord."*  
2 Samuel 12:13a (NIV)

*"Nathan replied, The Lord has taken away your sin. You are not going to die."*  
2 Samuel 12:13b (NIV)

*"But because by doing this you have made the enemies of the Lord show utter contempt, the son born to you will die."* 2 Samuel 12:14 (NIV)

*"After Nathan had gone home, the Lord struck the child that Uriah's wife had borne to David, and he became ill."* 2 Samuel 12:15 (NIV)

*"David pleaded with God for the child. He fasted and went into his house and spent the nights lying on the ground."* 2 Samuel 12:16 (NIV)

### Because of Consequences:

David returned to a place of \_\_\_\_\_

*"The elders of his household stood beside him to get him up from the ground, but he refused, and he would not eat any food with them. On the seventh day the child died. David's servants were afraid to tell him that the child was dead, for they thought, While the child was still living, we spoke to David but he would not listen to us. How can we tell him the child is dead? He may do something desperate."* 2 Samuel 12:17-18 (NIV)

*"David noticed that his servants were whispering among themselves and he realized the child was dead. Is the child dead? he asked. Yes," they replied, he is dead. Then David got up from the ground. After he had washed, put on lotions and changed his clothes, he went into the house of the Lord and worshiped."*  
2 Samuel 12:19-20 (NIV)

David returned to the place of \_\_\_\_\_

*"Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin."* Psalms 51:1-2 (NIV)

*"He went into the house of the Lord and worshiped. Then he went to his own house, and at his request they served him food, and he ate. His servants asked him, Why are you acting this way? While the child was alive, you fasted and wept, but now that the child is dead, you get up and eat!"*  
2 Samuel 12:20b-21 (NIV)

*"He answered, While the child was still alive, I fasted and wept. I thought, Who knows? The Lord may be gracious to me and let the child live. But now that he is dead, why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I will go to him, but he will not return to me."* 2 Samuel 12:22-23 (NIV)

*"Then David comforted his wife Bathsheba, and he went to her and lay with her. She gave birth to a son, and they named him Solomon."* 2 Samuel 12:24a (NIV)

David returned to a place of \_\_\_\_\_

1. Why did God send Nathan to confront David?

Principle: God longs to be in \_\_\_\_\_ with me

2. Why did David have to suffer consequences?

Principle: God's love can be discovered in His \_\_\_\_\_

3. Did David ever recover from his sin and his cover-up?

Principle: God will \_\_\_\_\_ turn His back on me.

*"In the sixth month, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virgin's name was Mary."* Luke 1:26-27 (NIV)

Principle: God's plan for my life is still \_\_\_\_\_

Principle: God's blessings and protection are tied to my \_\_\_\_\_

4. Why did God allow David's son to die?

Principle: There must be a \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_

*"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."* 1 John 1:9 (NIV)