

## Good Shepherd

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## Sermon Discussion Questions: 2 Samuel 12:1-15

1. Read 2 Samuel 12:1 and Matthew 18:12–14. **Question:** How does God's pursuit of David through Nathan mirror the shepherd seeking the lost sheep in Matthew 18? What does this show us about God's character when we are caught in sin?

2. Consider the story Nathan tells David and reflect on Hebrews 4:12. Question: Why is it often difficult to see our own sin clearly? How have you experienced God's Word acting as a mirror in your life?

3. Read David's response in 2 Samuel 12:13 and Hebrews 12:5–11. **Question:** What does true repentance look like, and how does God's loving discipline help us grow? Can you share a time when God used consequences to teach you something important?

4. Reflect on the dual themes of mercy and consequence in 2 Samuel 12:13–14. **Question:** How do you make sense of the fact that David is both forgiven and still faces painful consequences? How does this help us understand the tension between grace and justice?

5. Read Matthew 18:15–17.

**Question:** What role should fellow believers play when we see someone else caught in sin? How can we pursue one another with grace and truth, like Nathan did?