
RESTORATION
FROM SIN
2 SAMUEL 12:1-23
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INTRODUCTION

2 SAMUEL 12:1-23 (NIV)

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 SAMUEL 12:1-23 (NIV)

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." 5 DAVID BURNED WITH ANGER AGAINST THE MAN AND SAID TO NATHAN, "AS SURELY AS THE LORD LIVES, THE MAN WHO DID THIS MUST DIE!

2 SAMUEL 12:1-23 (NIV)

6 HE MUST PAY FOR THAT LAMB FOUR TIMES OVER, BECAUSE
HE DID SUCH A THING AND HAD NO PITY." 7 THEN NATHAN
SAID TO DAVID, "YOU ARE THE MAN! 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.
8 I GAVE YOUR MASTER'S HOUSE TO YOU, AND YOUR
MASTER'S WIVES INTO YOUR ARMS. I GAVE YOU ALL ISRAEL
AND JUDAH. AND IF ALL THIS HAD BEEN TOO LITTLE, I
WOULD HAVE GIVEN YOU EVEN MORE.

2 SAMUEL 12:1-23 (NIV)

9 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.
10 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.'

2 SAMUEL 12:1-23 (NIV)

11 "THIS IS WHAT THE LORD SAYS: 'OUT OF YOUR OWN HOUSE-
HOLD I AM GOING TO BRING CALAMITY ON YOU. BEFORE
YOUR VERY EYES I WILL TAKE YOUR WIVES AND GIVE THEM
TO ONE WHO IS CLOSE TO YOU, AND HE WILL SLEEP WITH
YOUR WIVES IN BROAD DAYLIGHT. 12 YOU DID IT IN SECRET,
BUT I WILL DO THIS THING IN BROAD DAYLIGHT BEFORE ALL
ISRAEL.'" 13 THEN DAVID SAID TO NATHAN, "I HAVE SINNED
AGAINST THE LORD." NATHAN REPLIED, "THE LORD HAS TAKEN
AWAY YOUR SIN. YOU ARE NOT GOING TO DIE.

2 SAMUEL 12:1-23 (NIV)

14 BUT BECAUSE BY DOING THIS YOU HAVE SHOWN UTTER
CONTEMPT FOR THE LORD, THE SON BORN TO YOU WILL DIE."
15 AFTER NATHAN HAD GONE HOME, THE LORD STRUCK THE
CHILD THAT URIAH'S WIFE HAD BORNE TO DAVID, AND HE
BECAME ILL. 16 DAVID PLEADED WITH GOD FOR THE CHILD.
HE FASTED AND SPENT THE NIGHTS LYING IN SACKCLOTH
ON THE GROUND. 17 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.

2 SAMUEL 12:1-23 (NIV)

18 ON THE SEVENTH DAY THE CHILD DIED. DAVID'S ATTEN-
DANTS WERE AFRAID TO TELL HIM THAT THE CHILD WAS
DEAD, FOR THEY THOUGHT, "WHILE THE CHILD WAS STILL
LIVING, HE WOULDN'T LISTEN TO US WHEN WE SPOKE TO
HIM. HOW CAN WE NOW TELL HIM THE CHILD IS DEAD? HE
MAY DO SOMETHING DESPERATE." 19 DAVID NOTICED THAT
HIS ATTENDANTS WERE WHISPERING AMONG THEMSELVES,
AND HE REALIZED THE CHILD WAS DEAD. "IS THE CHILD
DEAD?" HE ASKED. "YES," THEY REPLIED, "HE IS DEAD."

2 SAMUEL 12:1-23 (NIV)

20 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. THEN HE WENT TO HIS OWN HOUSE, AND AT HIS REQUEST THEY SERVED HIM FOOD, AND HE ATE. 21 HIS ATTENDANTS 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 12:1-23 (NIV)

22 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.'
23 BUT NOW THAT HE IS DEAD, WHY SHOULD I GO ON
FASTING? CAN I BRING HIM BACK AGAIN? I WILL GO
TO HIM, BUT HE WILL NOT RETURN TO ME."

Road Map

1. Confrontation and Conviction of our Sins
2. Confession, Repentance and Forgiveness
3. Consequences of our Sins
4. Restitution We Need to Make
5. Restoration that We Can Receive


1. Confrontation and
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- The first step towards restoration from our sins is to confront our sin.
  - Confrontation of our sins can be by others, by our conscience and by the Holy Spirit.

1. **Confrontation and Conviction of our Sins**

- conscience is “the inner sense of moral goodness”

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- No matter how we are confronted on our sins, how we respond to the confrontation is important.

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- As God's children, we should allow the Holy Spirit to convict us on our sins and start the road to restoration.

JOHN 16:8 (ESV)

AND WHEN HE (HOLY SPIRIT) COMES,
HE WILL CONVICT THE WORLD
CONCERNING SIN AND RIGHTEOUSNESS
AND JUDGMENT

1. **Confrontation and Conviction of our Sins**

- We need to allow the Holy Spirit to bring conviction of our sin.

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- Hence, when we are confronted on our sins, the first step to recovery is to allow the Holy Spirit to convict us and choose to receive discipline and restoration, instead of being defensive and reject the recovery.

2 SAMUEL 12:13 (NIV)

THEN DAVID SAID TO NATHAN,
"I HAVE SINNED AGAINST THE LORD."


2. Confession, Repentance
and Forgiveness

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- Confession: “act of admitting that you have done something wrong”

1 JOHN 1:9 (NKJV)

IF WE CONFESS OUR SINS, HE IS FAITHFUL AND JUST TO FORGIVE US OUR SINS, AND TO CLEANSE US FROM ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS.

PROVERBS 28:13 (NIV)

WHOEVER CONCEALS THEIR SINS DOES NOT PROSPER,
BUT THE ONE WHO CONFESSES AND RENOUNCES
THEM FINDS MERCY.

JAMES 5:16 (NIV)

THEREFORE CONFESS YOUR SINS TO EACH OTHER
AND PRAY FOR EACH OTHER SO THAT
YOU MAY BE HEALED.

2. Confession, Repentance and Forgiveness

- What is next after confession?
  - ➢ We need to move towards repentance.

2. Confession, Repentance and Forgiveness

- **Repentance:**
  - ➢ **“the act of showing that you are sorry for what you have done”**

2. Confession, Repentance and Forgiveness

- **Repentance:**
  - ➢ **“to turn from sin and dedicate oneself to the amendment of one’s life”**

2. Confession, Repentance and Forgiveness

- Confession is to acknowledge that you are wrong.

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- Repentance is the desire to turn from the sin and dedicate yourself to live differently henceforth.

PSALM 51:1-4 (NIV)

HAVE MERCY ON ME, O GOD, ACCORDING TO YOUR UNFAILING LOVE; ACCORDING TO YOUR GREAT COMPASSION BLOT OUT MY TRANSGRESSIONS. 2 WASH AWAY ALL MY INIQUITY AND CLEANSE ME FROM MY SIN. 3 FOR I KNOW MY TRANSGRESSIONS, AND MY SIN IS ALWAYS BEFORE ME. 4 AGAINST YOU, YOU ONLY, HAVE I SINNED AND DONE WHAT IS EVIL IN YOUR SIGHT; SO YOU ARE RIGHT IN YOUR VERDICT AND JUSTIFIED WHEN YOU JUDGE.

2. Confession, Repentance and Forgiveness

- God was right in his verdict.

PSALM 51:10-11 (NIV)

"CREATE IN ME A PURE HEART, O GOD, AND RENEW A STEADFAST SPIRIT WITHIN ME. 11 DO NOT CAST ME FROM YOUR PRESENCE OR TAKE YOUR HOLY SPIRIT FROM ME"

2. Confession, Repentance and Forgiveness

- **Where there is confession and repentance, there will be forgiveness.**

2 SAMUEL 12:13B (NIV)

NATHAN REPLIED, "THE LORD HAS TAKEN AWAY YOUR SIN.
YOU ARE NOT GOING TO DIE.

2 SAMUEL 12:13B (NLT)

"YES, BUT THE LORD HAS FORGIVEN YOU,
AND YOU WON'T DIE FOR THIS SIN."

1 JOHN 1:9 (NIV)

IF WE CONFESS OUR SINS, HE IS FAITHFUL AND JUST AND WILL FORGIVE US OUR SINS AND PURIFY US FROM ALL UNRIGHTEOUSNESS.

1 PETER 3:18 (NASB 1995)

FOR CHRIST ALSO DIED FOR SINS ONCE FOR ALL,
THE JUST FOR THE UNJUST, SO THAT HE MIGHT
BRING US TO GOD, HAVING BEEN PUT TO DEATH
IN THE FLESH, BUT MADE ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT;

2. Confession, Repentance and Forgiveness

- Repentance is not self-condemnation.

1 JOHN 3:19-20 (NKJV)

AND BY THIS WE KNOW THAT WE ARE OF THE TRUTH, AND SHALL ASSURE OUR HEARTS BEFORE HIM. 20 FOR IF OUR HEART CONDEMNS US, GOD IS GREATER THAN OUR HEART, AND KNOWS ALL THINGS.

ROMANS 8:1 (NIV)

THEREFORE, THERE IS NOW NO CONDEMNATION
FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN CHRIST JESUS,

2. Confession, Repentance and Forgiveness

- There is no condemnation in Jesus.


3. Consequences of
our Sins

2 SAMUEL 12:15 (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 12:18A (NIV)

ON THE SEVENTH DAY THE CHILD DIED.

3. Consequences of our sins

- While we will always receive the forgiveness of God when we confess and repent, there might still be consequences of our sins that we need to face.

3. **Consequences of our sins**

- God is the loving God who forgive us of our sins, but He is also the just God to allow us to face the consequences of our sins.

2 SAMUEL 12:16-17 (NIV)

16 DAVID PLEADED WITH GOD FOR THE CHILD. HE FASTED
AND SPENT THE NIGHTS LYING IN SACKCLOTH ON THE
GROUND. 17 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.

2 SAMUEL 12:22-23 (NIV)

22 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.’
23 But now that he is dead, why should I go on
fasting? Can I bring him back again? I will
go to him, but he will not return to me.”


4. Restitution We Need to Make

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- **Restitution:**
  - ➢ **“the action serving to bring restoration of a previous state”**

LUKE 19:8 (NIV)

BUT ZACCHAEUS STOOD UP AND SAID TO THE LORD, "LOOK, LORD! HERE AND NOW I GIVE HALF OF MY POSSESSIONS TO THE POOR, AND IF I HAVE CHEATED ANYBODY OUT OF ANYTHING, I WILL PAY BACK FOUR TIMES THE AMOUNT.


5. Restoration that
We Can Receive

ACTS 13:22 (NIV)

AFTER REMOVING SAUL, HE MADE DAVID THEIR KING.
GOD TESTIFIED CONCERNING HIM: 'I HAVE FOUND
DAVID SON OF JESSE, A MAN AFTER MY OWN HEART;
HE WILL DO EVERYTHING I WANT HIM TO DO.'

LUKE 15:20-24 (NIV)

... BUT WHILE HE WAS STILL A LONG WAY OFF, HIS FATHER SAW HIM AND WAS FILLED WITH COMPASSION FOR HIM; HE RAN TO HIS SON, THREW HIS ARMS AROUND HIM AND KISSED HIM. 21 "THE SON SAID TO HIM, 'FATHER, I HAVE SINNED AGAINST HEAVEN AND AGAINST YOU. I AM NO LONGER WORTHY TO BE CALLED YOUR SON.'

LUKE 15:20-24 (NIV)

22 "BUT THE FATHER SAID TO HIS SERVANTS, 'QUICK!
BRING THE BEST ROBE AND PUT IT ON HIM.
PUT A RING ON HIS FINGER AND SANDALS ON HIS FEET.
23 BRING THE FATTENED CALF AND KILL IT. LET'S HAVE
A FEAST AND CELEBRATE. 24 FOR THIS SON OF MINE WAS
DEAD AND IS ALIVE AGAIN; HE WAS LOST AND IS FOUND.'
SO THEY BEGAN TO CELEBRATE.

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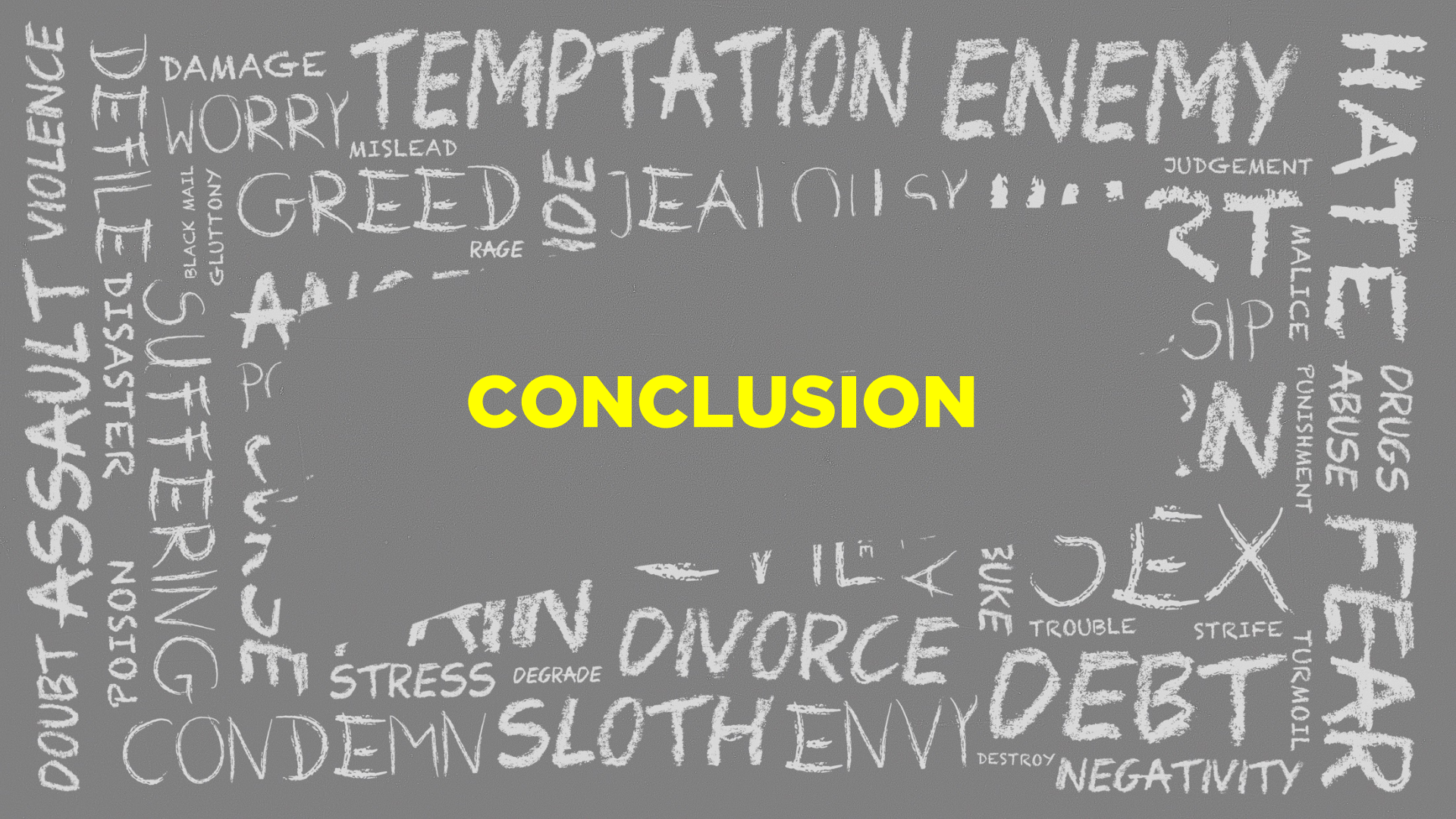
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- “he was filled with compassion” (*Luke 15:20*)
- He restored the son.


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