

SESSION 1

DISCUSSION GUIDE

King of KINGS



THE BIBLE

2 Samuel 12:1–7; Psalm 51:10–12

THE BIG IDEA

In God's kingdom, leaders seek accountability — not power.

WHAT? *What are we talking about?*

NOW WHAT? *What do we do about it?*

QUESTIONS

- Have you ever met somebody who was hyped up to be incredible at something, but when you met them you were let down? Talk about that experience.
- What characteristics come to mind when you think about a great leader?

SAY . . .

For the next four get-togethers, we're going to be looking at some of the most famous, well-regarded leaders in the Bible to learn some important lessons from their mistakes and unexpected behavior.

SO WHAT? *Why does it matter?*

VIDEO | Session 1

Play the video for this session.

DISCUSSION

- When someone is out of line are you more likely to avoid the situation or confront it head-on?
- Have you ever witnessed someone harming others? What was your reaction? How do you wish you would've reacted?
- How likely do you think you would be to confront a powerful figure like Nathan confronted David? What are the risks associated with this type of confrontation?
- If you were David in this story, could you have been open to this kind of confrontation from a friend? What about an employee or a family member?
- Read Galatians 5:22-23. Which one of these characteristics would most help you to be receptive instead of defensive when you are called out?
- What steps can you take to create real, transparent relationships where everyone has permission to speak into each other's lives?

RESPONSE | Becoming a Better Ally

We should be prepared to step up for the abused and oppressed, but the way we do so matters. Share an article like [this one](#) with your group and encourage them to spend some time this week considering how they could use these ideas to show up better for those who need an ally.

PRAYER