



During this series we will be providing two sets of questions. The first set is for "general use" and the second set is specifically for women.



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Grow a Pair - David, pt. 2
Weekend Discussion Questions
October 9-10, 2010

Community:

1. What did you know about David before the last two weeks in this series? How was the story told to you previously?

Core:

1. Talk about the highlights and lowlights of David's life and the character qualities he exemplified or lacked.
2. "God doesn't ever change his mind about you and he is never shocked by you." Do you buy that? What difference does it make if it is true?
3. Someone's life is not destroyed as much by the mistakes they make, but by the decisions they make after the mistake. What does that look like?
4. David made some bad decisions after his sin with Bathsheba, but when confronted by Nathan he acted humbly and took responsibility. What difference did that make in his life?
5. What is the difference between a humble response and a defensive response?
6. Read Psalm 51 and talk about David's perspective on God and forgiveness
7. Even though he was forgiven, David experienced consequences for his sins and mistakes for the rest of his life.
8. Jim said that David did nothing about the situation with Tamar and Amnon because of bad guilt and/or bad grace:
 - a. What is bad guilt? (Guilt was never meant to run or ruin the rest of your life.)
 - b. What is bad grace? (God will forgive you anyway so you can do whatever you want.)
9. Read Romans 6:1-2 and discuss the questions that Paul raises there.
10. Read Proverbs 13:24 and discuss how God works in us that way.
11. Being humble and teachable are the two qualities in focus this week. How can you cultivate each in your life?

Challenge:

1. Think about one area someone needs you to "be a man" in their life and take steps in that direction this week.
2. Pay attention and think about what God is teaching you from his word and in your circumstances.



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Weekend Discussion Questions for Women
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Community:

1. What teacher in high school taught you the most?
2. Given what you've learned since then, what would you change about your high school experience?

Core:

1. Why do you think God does NOT protect us from the consequences of our mistakes even after we ask for forgiveness?
2. Have you ever been in a situation where you suffered the consequences of someone else's mistakes? Have you made mistakes that caused consequences for those close to you?
3. What does it mean to be "teachable" in your spiritual life?
4. Read the story of David's daughter and two sons in 2 Samuel 13:1-21. What was your initial response to the story? How is the story a consequence of David's mistakes?
5. Jim talked about "bad guilt." What is "bad guilt?" When does guilt serve a positive purpose?
6. In your experience, are women more prone to "bad guilt" than men? Why or why not?
7. Jim characterized David as a weak parent. What was your experience with parents speaking into your life?
8. Read Proverbs 13:24. Have you heard this verse quoted before this weekend? What was your understanding of it?
9. Are there people waiting for you to step up and speak truth into their lives as a mom, a daughter, sister, friend?
10. Are you the same as a grown woman as you were as a little girl? What have you learned about yourself that has changed you?
11. How does it change women when men step up to be who God intended them to be? How does it change men when women step up to be who God intended them to be?

Challenge:

1. Spend some time taking inventory of people in your life who need you to be strong and speak truth to them.
2. Spend some time studying Psalm 51. Try making it a prayer that God will make you teachable and use you to teach others.

