



**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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**Weekend Services** | Sat 5:00 & 6:30pm | Sun 9:00, 10:30 & 11:55am, 6:30pm

**Grow a Pair - David, pt. 1**  
Weekend Discussion Questions  
October 2-3, 2010

**Community:**

1. How would you characterize yourself as a teenager? How do you think others did?
2. As you were growing up, what was communicated to you about what makes a man?
3. Why are we so confused and lacking answers for what it means to be a man?

**Core:**

1. Read 1 Samuel 13:14. Discuss what it means to be a person *after God's own heart*?
2. What do you think God looks for (and desires to see) in someone's heart?
3. What would it take for God to be able to say that about you...or any man?
4. Read 1 Samuel 17:33-37. How are David's *identity, integrity, strength* and *wisdom* all evidenced here?
5. Do you think it's clear here that David is a man after God's own heart?
6. Is it clear to you that David is still chasing after God after he sleeps with Bathsheba?
7. Read 2 Samuel 12:1-13 and discuss how Nathan confronts David with his sin.
8. What were David's mistakes and how did each one lead to another?
9. Read 2 Samuel 12:13. What does David's reaction say about his relationship with God?
10. God loved David too much to let him get away with his sin. How does God's love work that way?
11. Have you ever been confronted or have had to confront someone who has wronged you? How did you deal with this and what was your reaction to the confrontation?
12. Does David's example of being humble differ from what most people think and believe?
13. How do you tend to respond when you make mistakes?
14. What does it look like to be humble when you make mistakes?
15. Why do you think God allows us to deal with the consequences of our sin?
16. Read Hebrews 12:5-7. Discuss the similarities, and the differences, between the way God disciplines His children and the way we discipline ours.
17. Read James 4:6. How does grace factor into God's perspective and work in our lives?

**Challenge:**

1. Pray about the mistakes you have made and ask God to help you become truly humble.
2. Demonstrate God's love to others by extending grace to them when they make mistakes.
3. Check out flatironslist. ([flatironschurch.com/flatironslist](http://flatironschurch.com/flatironslist))

**Grow a Pair - David, pt. 1**  
Weekend Discussion Questions for Women  
October 2-3, 2010

**Community:**

1. Who would you consider the most “manly” celebrity? Who is the most “womanly” celebrity that comes to mind?
2. What discussions have you had with other women about the “Grow a Pair” series so far?

**Core:**

1. Jim and Scott have talked a lot about finding your true identity. What is the most destructive voice to your true identity that you have trouble shaking?
2. Read I Samuel 16:7. God talks about the value of appearance versus the value of the heart. How does appearance shape a woman’s identity?
3. Are women more or less dependent on appearance than men for their identity?
4. Read 1 Samuel 13:14. Discuss what it means to be a woman *after God’s own heart*?
5. God describes David as “a man after his own heart.” If that was all you knew about David, how would you imagine his life?
6. What do you think God means by “a man after his own heart”?
7. How is being “after God’s own heart” a universal desire for men and women?
8. How would you compare and contrast David with Samson, from last week’s teaching?
9. Read 2 Samuel 12:1-13. What were some of the consequences of his sin that David had to live with? Do you have a comparable story in your life of a mistake and living with the consequences?
10. What is your typical response when someone points out your mistakes?
11. Why do you think God allows us to deal with the consequences of our sin?
12. Jim talked about finding the true definition of “manhood.” So far in this series, what have you learned about the true definition of “womanliness?”

**Challenge:**

1. Think about what phrase God might use to describe you right now? Is that the way you’d like to be viewed by God?
2. Pray about changes you can make to become a “woman after God’s own heart.”