



of sin. We said that seeing something like this happen to a man like David shows us how powerful sin can be, quickly taking over our lives, if we don't follow God and lean on His strength to overcome our sin.

God sent the prophet, Nathan, to David to deliver God's message to him and he did face some consequence for his great sins but through God's grace, David did not die as should have been the consequence for his actions. David did repent and learned about the need to stay focused on God instead of just focusing on himself and to lean on God for strength when faced with temptation.

We said that even if somebody like King David could be tempted to sin so badly then surely every single person in the room must also have sin failures of their own.

We looked at **Romans 3:23-24** to see what Paul had to say about sinning. We learned that we all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Everyone from the most hardened criminal to the Pope and everyone in between is a sinner.

The good news, in verse 24, is that all are also justified by God's grace through Christ Jesus. So, not only is everyone equally a sinner in God's eyes, everyone is equally redeemed through the grace offered by God through His son Jesus. Therefore, there is absolutely no room for any "spiritual pride" because the very worst and the very best are all in the same boat and equal.

We learned that each of us struggle with sin, battling sin is hard and we all mess up sometimes but we can't believe we can overcome it on our own or try to hide it. The grace of Jesus defeated the power of sin in our lives and we must lean on the power of the Holy Spirit and go freely to God for His grace and forgiveness instead of running away and trying to hide.

Most of all we must have faith that no matter how big our failures may seem, they will never separate us from God's love and no sin is too much for God's grace.

Join us next time as we continue our series on seeing the Thread of the Gospel throughout the bible as we look at Psalm 23.

**Bible verses referenced in this lesson: 2 Samuel 11:1-27, 2 Samuel 12:1-14, Romans 3:23-24**

Let us know if you have any questions.

Have a blessed Week,  
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