



**The Story of David and Bathsheba's Son Dies  
(2 Samuel 12)**

*"So the Lord sent Nathan the prophet to tell David this story: "There were two men in a certain town. One was rich, and one was poor. The rich man owned a great many sheep and cattle. The poor man owned nothing but one little lamb he had bought. He raised that little lamb, and it grew up with his children. It ate from the man's own plate and drank from his cup. He cuddled it in his arms like a baby daughter. One day a guest arrived at the home of the rich man. But instead of killing an animal from his own flock or herd, he took the poor man's lamb and killed it and prepared it for his guest." David was furious. "As surely as the Lord lives," he vowed, "any man who would do such a thing deserves to die! He must repay four lambs to the poor man for the one he stole and for having no pity." Then Nathan said to David, "You are that man! The Lord, the God of Israel, says: I anointed you king of Israel and saved you from the power of Saul. I gave you your master's house and his wives and the kingdoms of Israel and Judah. And if that had not been enough, I would have given you much, much more. Why, then, have you despised the word of the Lord and done this horrible deed? For you have murdered Uriah the Hittite with the sword of the Ammonites and stolen his wife." **2 Samuel 12:1-9 (NLT)***

*"Then David confessed to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord." Nathan replied, "Yes, but the Lord has forgiven you, and you won't die for this sin. Nevertheless, because you have shown utter contempt for the word of the Lord by doing this, your child will die." **2 Samuel 12:13-14 (NLT)***

*"David begged God to spare the child. He went without food and lay all night on the bare ground. The elders of his household pleaded with him to get up and eat with them, but he refused. Then on the seventh day the child died. David's advisers were afraid to tell him. "He wouldn't listen to reason while the child was ill," they said. "What drastic thing will he do when we tell him the child is dead?" **2 Samuel 12:16-18 (NLT)***

## 3 STEPS TO EMOTIONAL HEALING

**MEMORY VERSE:** *"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake."* **Psalm 23:1-3 (NKJV)**

### 1. UNDERSTAND THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF MY PAIN.

*"And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being."* **Genesis 2:7 (NKJV)**

### 2. ACCEPT THAT I CANNOT HEAL MY \_\_\_\_\_.

*"I kept quiet, not saying a word, not even about anything good! But my suffering only grew worse, and I was overcome with anxiety. The more I thought, the more troubled I became; I could not keep from asking."* **Psalm 39:2-3 (GNB)**

### 3. LET GOD RESTORE MY SOUL.

#### a. LET GOD REMOVE MY \_\_\_\_\_

*"My guilt has overwhelmed me like a burden too heavy to bear."* **Psalm 38:4 (NIV)**

*"The Lord gave us mind and conscience; we cannot hide from ourselves."* **Proverbs 20:27 (GNB)**

#### b. LET GOD REPLACE MY \_\_\_\_\_

*"To worry yourself to death with resentment would be a foolish, senseless thing to do."*  
**Job 5:2 (GN)**

*"You are only hurting yourself with your anger."* **Job 18:4 (GN)**

*"Dear friends, never avenge yourselves. Leave that to God, for He has said He will repay those who deserve it."* **Romans 12:19 (LB)**

#### c. LET GOD RELIEVE MY \_\_\_\_\_

*"Lord, have mercy, because I am in misery. My eyes are weak from so much crying, and my whole being is tired from grief."* **Psalm 31:9 (NCV)**

## 3 THINGS TO DO: 2 SAMUEL 12

### 1. \_\_\_\_\_ WHAT CANNOT BE CHANGED.

*"David replied, 'I fasted and wept while the child was alive, for I said, 'Perhaps the Lord will be gracious to me and let the child live.' But why should I fast when he is dead? Can I bring him back again? I will go to him one day, but he cannot return to me."* **2 Samuel 12:22–23 (NLT)**

### 2. \_\_\_\_\_ GOD ANYWAY.

*"After he had washed, put on lotions, and changed his clothes, he went into the house of the Lord and worshipped."* **2 Samuel 12:20 (NIV)**

### 3. FOCUS ON WHAT IS \_\_\_\_\_, NOT ON WHAT IS LOST.

*"Then David comforted Bathsheba, his wife, and slept with her. She became pregnant and gave birth to a son, and David named him Solomon. The Lord loved the child."* **2 Samuel 12:24 (NLT)**

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