

## REBOOT

### *"Lessons from a Fallen Giant"*

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2 Samuel 11-12; Selected Passages

## PAINFUL LESSONS FROM A FALLEN GIANT

1. There's a problem about committing secret sins—\_\_\_\_\_.  
\_\_\_\_\_. (2 Sam. 11:27)
2. When I sin and there are no consequences, \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.! (2 Sam. 11:2-5)
  - Satan's greatest and most subtle tactic is not finding joy in destroying me on my first slip. Instead, it is rather withholding consequences. For then he knows my tendency will not be to cease but to continue in sin. Then I am deceived into thinking I can get away with sinning and living a double life. He then sets me up for a fall of increased magnitude.
3. If I don't repent immediately when the Holy Spirit convicts me in private, then I will deal with it \_\_\_\_\_.  
The choice is mine. (2 Sam. 12:7, 12)
  - My response is critical to my future. If I deal wisely with it, it will be relegated to my past. If I do not, it will haunt my future.
4. Be careful; my choices affect \_\_\_\_\_.  
(2 Sam. 12:15)
  - Jesus Christ's reputation and the Christian faith stand to lose.
  - The ones I love the most stand to lose.

## MY RESPONSE

1. Confess and receive God's forgiveness and \_\_\_\_\_.  
(2 Sam. 12:13, 20, 24-25; Psalm 51:16-17; 1 John 1:9)
  - Because God has cancelled my debt of sin, I don't have to feel guilty about not feeling guilty.
  - Because God has restored me, I can live in the freedom of knowing that God delights in me despite what I have done.
2. Be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - My spiritual life is a community effort. I cannot be victorious on my own.

**CENTRAL TRUTH:**  
**God wants to free me from secret sins and  
bring restoration to my life.**

## LIFEGROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Discuss the impossibility of committing secret sins against God. What attributes of God make keeping anything a secret from him impossible?
2. How effective is "Satan's greatest and most subtle tactic" discussed in #2? Can you think of examples? Why is immediate repentance the best response?
3. What makes people continue in secret sin even when they know the very real possibility that they will be exposed and may need to deal with it publicly? What is God's desire regarding this?
4. Your choices always affect more than just yourself. When secret sin is exposed, how can it damage Jesus Christ's reputation and/or hurt the ones you love the most? Give examples of real-life secret sins and their consequences.
5. What is your response to the truth that when you confess your sin and God forgives you, he restores you so completely that he delights in you?
6. How can your LifeGroup hold one another accountable in your fight against secret sin?
7. What action can you take in the next week to bring about transformation that you seek in yourself in response to Sunday's teaching?

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