SIN IN DAVID

2 Samuel 11:1-5, 14-17; 12:1-7

MAIN IDEAS FROM THIS WEEK

- 1. THE POWER OF SIN
 - SIN BEGINS WITH SEPARATION
 - SIN RARELY ASKS YOU TO TAKE A GIANT LEAP
 - SIN TAKES FAR MORE THAN YOU PLANNED TO GIVE
- 2. THE NEED FOR FRIENDSHIP
- 3. THE HOPE THE GOSPEL OFFERS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS – Pick one or two of these to talk about as a group

- 1. What stood out to you most from this week's message? Why?
- 2. Take a minute to consider who David was in the Bible and list a few things you know about his character. What are some lessons we can learn from the fact that a person like David could commit a sin like the one we heard about this week?
- 3. When we look at the way that sin worked itself out in David's life we see that 1) sin begins with separation, 2) sin rarely asks you to take a giant leap and 3) sin takes far more than you planned to give. To what degree do you see some or all of this happening in your own life?
- 4. Nathan is one of the best examples in the Bible of how to speak the truth in love. Take a look at the way in which Nathan confronted David in 2 Samuel 12:1-7. How did he speak the truth? How did he make that truth as hearable as possible? What could it look like for you to model this sort of loving confrontation in your own relationships?
- 5. How do you respond when God sends a "Nathan" into your life to tell you what you hard truths you don't want to hear?
- 6. Next week's message will be about the discipline of repentance. So, in anticipation of next week's sermon, what do you think repentance is? How do we do it?

A TRUTH TO TAKE WITH YOU: The paradox of forgiveness is that it is both free and costly at the same time. We can have life. However, that life is only available because our death sentence has been taken by the Son of David, Jesus Christ.