

# SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE DAVID *THE WAY IT WORKS*

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**ICEBREAKER:** Spring Break memory from your past...

**READ:** 2 Samuel 12:1-7 and Exodus 22:1

**QUESTION:** Why is it easier to see flaws in others while ignoring our own? (We're all experts at seeing other people's stuff – it somehow makes us feel better about ourselves. It's easier to give advice than live it. We have blind spots.

**READ:** Proverbs 27:6

**QUESTION:** Have you ever had someone point out one of your flaws? What was that like?

**Ryan said:** “Admitting our flaws doesn't make us less Christian. In fact, it makes us more Christian.” Do you agree or disagree? Why or why not?

**QUESTION:** Do you agree or disagree that we all need a *Nathan* in our lives...someone who “knows”

**QUESTION:** Do you have someone in your life who has permission to ask you the hard questions?

## **Ryan said:**

*Sin is when a person makes a mistake.*

*Transgression is when a person knows the law, and willfully disobeys it.*

*Iniquity is a particular twist or bend towards evil.*

**READ:** Psalm 51:1-12 and James 5:16

**QUESTION:** What happens when we own and confess these things to God? (forgiveness, no judgement, freedom) What about with others? (makes us whole)

**QUESTION:** How do we find a *Nathan*? (invest in a relationship based on trust by leading with grace over judgement)

**CHALLENGE:** Invest in a trustworthy relationship. Own a flaw. Confess it to God and someone you can trust who will pray for you and encourage you.

**PRAYER:** God thank you for Your forgiveness. Help us be humble in owning our flaws and allowing others to pray for us. In Jesus' Name.