

“God Uses Flawed People”

This set of questions is based on Mike’s sermon preached December 6.

1. King David wrote Psalm 51 after the prophet Nathan had confronted him about his adultery with Bathsheba. Read the psalm. In what specific ways does David use his past sin as an opportunity to exalt God?

Evaluate the statement, *“Our sin serves a good purpose, for it helps people see how righteous God is”* (Romans 3:5 NLT; see the entire paragraph 3:5–8). Since God can bring good out of your sin, isn’t this statement true?

2. Tell of a time when God delivered you from a wrong decision you had made.
3. Contrast James 3:1–2 with Matthew 25:24–30. Should knowledge of God’s strict judgment (in the parable: “you are a hard man”) make us cautious in our service to Him, or aggressive?

How do you determine whether a certain moral flaw should keep you from a particular ministry?

Recurring Questions

- » How have you seen God working in your life or the lives of those around you this week?
- » What prayer requests would you like to share with the group, including prayer for any spiritual struggles you may be experiencing?