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# Nathan: BOLD

*2 Samuel 12:1-25*

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## Warming Up

1. What comes to mind when you hear the word “bold”? How do we use this word in multiple different contexts?

## Digging In

2. Pastor Dan defined boldness as *acting with courage and conviction when there’s reason not to*. Unpack the various parts of this definition. List some common, contemporary opportunities for this sort of boldness. Is there a particular situation before you?
3. *I am bold when I . . . make sure God is in it (12:1a)*. Why do we need to check our heart condition before we demonstrate boldness? What does Jeremiah 17:9 contribute to this discussion?
4. *I am bold when I . . . exercise wisdom in the approach (11:27-12:4)*. Talk about Nathan’s choice of a wise time, place, and method for his confrontation of David. Does anything stand out to you about this? What are the enduring principles for us?
5. *I am bold when I . . . recognize the inherent risks (12:5-6)*. What real risks does Nathan face? What risks could we encounter if we step out in boldness? How can we push through the fear?
6. *I am bold when I . . . lean in with decisive action (12:7a)*. Why is this step so critical? What do we often do instead of leaning in? What happens if we stop short of decisive action?
7. *I am bold when I . . . stand up for what really matters (12:7b-12, 14)*. What three things does Nathan stand up for? Locate them in the passage. As you reflect upon your specific opportunity for boldness, is it about stuff that really matters? How so?
8. *I am bold when I . . . trust God with the outcome (12:13-25)*. Why is it so important for us to be content with leaving God to write the final chapter? How does Jesus provide an incredible example of this?

## Breaking Out

9. The character quality of boldness is oh so desperately need in our day. Will you seize the moment rather than shrink back? In what way is God prompting you to act boldly? What is your next step? How can your small group encourage you in this regard?