One Month To Live "Learn Humbly"	Ø
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2 Samuel 12: 1-23

God wants me to see my _____.

It is easy to see the _____ of _____.

I should learn from _____ mistakes.

However, I am _____!

When I make a mistake I must surrender to God's strength by:

- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____

SERMON FOUR: LEARN HUMBLY

Ice breaker questions:

- 1. What's your favorite cartoon character? Why?
- 2. If you had to describe yourself in a word, what would it be?
- 3. Would you rather become a popular celebrity whom everyone hates or be a normal person whom everyone loves?
- 4. Would you rather have a beautiful house and an ugly car or an ugly house and a beautiful car?
- 5. Would you rather be chased by angry bulls or hungry sharks?

Sermon based questions:

- 1. Share one of your biggest mistakes.
- 2. Where are you a repeat offender?
- 3. How well do you receive criticism? Rank from 1-10.
- 4. How often do you ask for feedback in the way you handle life?
- 5. Do you tend to shoot the messenger?
- 6. Which of the following do you need to work on the most: confession, pleading, accepting or worshipping?
- 7. Any questions about the text or the sermon?
- 8. What's your biggest take away from Sunday's teaching?

Scripture reading:

PSALM 51 --- read as a group

- 1) Is there something you noticed for the first time?
- 2) What questions do you have?
- 3) Was there anything that bothered you?
- 4) Where is David learning from his mistakes and surrendering to God's strength?
- 5) What does this tell us about God?
- 6) What does this tell us about ourselves?
- 7) How does this help us love God?
- 8) How does this help us love others?

Action Steps:

- 1) What am I going to start doing as a result of this weeks teaching?
- 2) What am I going to stop doing as a result of this weeks teaching?

Homework for the week:

- 1. Read a devotional daily
- 2. Read the sermon text from Sunday: 2 Samuel 12:1-23

Ask these questions:

- 1) Is there something you noticed for the first time?
- 2) Where do you see the sermon points in this scripture?
- 3) What questions do you have?
- 4) Was there anything that bothered you?
- 5) What does this tell us about God?
- 6) What does this tell us about ourselves?
- 7) How does this help us love God?
- 8) How does this help us love others?
- 3. If you knew you had one month to live, how would you find comfort; and who would you provide comfort to?
- 4. What things in your life are preventing you from being molded and shaped into the person God wants you to be? Is it a relationship you are in? Material possessions you own? A schedule that is too demanding? A job that requires you to make unethical decisions? Identify those things in your life and create a plan to get rid of them. Share them with someone close to you, and ask them to help you in this process.
- 5. What trials or weaknesses are you struggling with today? Commit to spending time alone with God this week seeking His comfort and finding your strength in Him.
- 6. Think of someone in your life who is going through an especially difficult time. Maybe it's a friend, a co-worker or family member. Spend some time this week encouraging and comforting them. Write them a letter, take them to lunch or just spend time listening to them and being a friend. God wants to use you to bring comfort to others. You will find that not only are they blessed by you, but you will in turn be blessed by them as well.