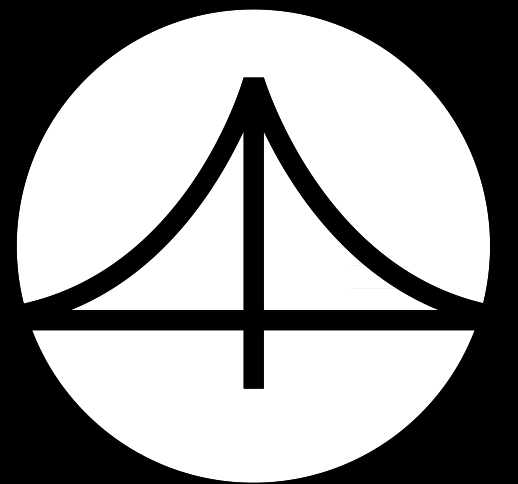


David's Relationships: Nathan

2 Samuel 7:1-5, 11-13, 16-17

2 Samuel 12:1-10, 13-15

1 Kings 1:5-6, 11-14, 32-34, 38-39



**Godly advisors are essential ingredients in
godly lives.**

- **Speak God's Words**
- **Speak in a Way that Connects**
- **Pursue Your Good**
- **Seeking Godly Advisors Today**

Speak God's Words

- David turns to Nathan for advice because he trusts Nathan
- Nathan has a sensitivity to hearing God's voice and a humility that lets him admit when he's wrong
- Nathan is willing to speak God's truth, even when it's bad news

Speak in Ways that Connect

- Each time Nathan interacts with David, he uses a different way of presenting the truth
- He tailors his speaking to forms that will be heard, understood, and acted upon properly in each situation

Pursue Your Good

- Nathan truly cares about David and wants what's good for him
- Nathan takes action that is dangerous to himself in order to help David

Seeking Advisors Today

- Fear of the Lord - the key ingredient that sets a godly advisor apart from a regular advisor
- God Himself, in Jesus, the Wonderful Counselor, is our greatest advisor
 - Jesus is God's word made flesh
 - He becomes human so we can connect with Him
 - Jesus lays down His life to seek our good

Seeking Advisors Today

- God, our ultimate advisor, leads Christians today through the Holy Spirit
- We need guidance from other Christians and the Bible to properly discern what the Spirit is saying
- We never outgrow our need for godly advisors
- God's plan is that every Christian would be a godly advisor to others and have godly advisors