5. OFFER

"Nathan replied, 'Yes, but the LORD has forgiven you, and you won't die for this sin. But you have given the enemies of the LORD great opportunity to despise and blaspheme him, so your child will die.'"

- vss 13 - 14

Two Godly Decisions:

- Under God's leadership I will compassionately confront a friend if necessary.
- Under God's leadership I will receive confrontation from a friend.

"My dear child, don't shrug off God's discipline, but don't be crushed by it either. It's the child He loves that He disciplines; the child he embraces, he also corrects."

- Hebrews 12:5-6

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The Peacemaker by Ken Sande

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO...

- □ Memorize Proverbs 27:6.
- □ Read and study Matthew 18:15 20.
- □ Never confront unless I have a clear leading from God that is confirmed by prayer, bible study and others.
- □ Come join us for the "In the Beginning" Bible study on Sunday's at 9 AM.

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THE ART OF CONFRONTATION

Mike Sullivan

Memory Verse

"Wounds made by a friend are intended to help, but an enemy's kisses are too much to bear."

— Proverbs 27:6

Confrontation:

A meeting between two friends for the purpose of restoring godliness.

THE ART OF CONFRONTATION: NATHAN AND DAVID 2 Samuel 12:1-14

1. FOLLOW					

"So the LORD sent Nathan...."

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"So the LORD sent Nathan the prophet to tell David. . . "
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3. PREPARE TO _____ SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS

"So the LORD sent Nathan the prophet to tell David this story: 'There were two men in a certain town. One was rich, and one was poor. 2 The rich man owned many sheep and cattle. 3 The poor man owned nothing but a little lamb he had worked hard to buy. He raised that little lamb, and it grew up with his children. It ate from the man's own plate and drank from his cup. He cuddled it in his arms like a baby daughter. 4 One day a guest arrived at the home of the rich man. But instead of killing a lamb from his own flocks for food, he took the poor man's lamb and killed it and served it to his quest.'"

4. STATE THE TRUTH $_{ extstyle 1}$	
AND	THE SPIRIT

David was furious. "As surely as the LORD lives," he vowed, "any man who would do such a thing deserves to die! 6 He must repay four lambs to the poor man for the one he stole and for having no pity." 7 Then Nathan said to David, "You are that man! The LORD, the God of Israel, says, 'I anointed you king of Israel and saved you from the power of Saul. 8 I gave you his house and his wives and the kingdoms of Israel and Judah. And if that had not been enough, I would have given you much, much more. 9 Why, then, have you despised the word of the LORD and done this horrible deed? For you have murdered Uriah and stolen his wife. 10 From this time on, the sword will be a constant threat to your family, because you have despised me by taking Uriah's wife to be your own. 11 "Because of what you have done, I, the LORD, will cause your own household to rebel against you. I will give your wives to another man, and he will go to bed with them in public view. 12 You did it secretly, but I will do this to you openly in the sight of all Israel."

– vv 5-12

Then David confessed to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the LORD.'"

– vs 13