



A SIX-WEEK SERIES ON **AUTHORITY**

Series Overview

Have you ever wished you had a little bit more power — or influence — or control? Whether you dream about ruling the world or just wish you could get a little respect once in a while, the desire to be in charge is something we've all experienced. But in this 3-week series, we'll hear about a few kings from the Bible whose stories show us power isn't always easy to yield. Through their failures and successes, we'll discover that when you make mistakes, **God can help make things right**; when you think you know best, **be humble instead**; and when obedience is difficult, **stay close to Jesus**.

Week 1

Scripture: II Samuel 11:1-27, 12:1-13; Psalm 51:1-12; II Corinthians 5:17; John 1:9

Summary: In this week, we'll learn through the mistakes of King David, that God shows us grace.

Week 2

Scripture: II Samuel 15:1-14, 18:1-15, 31-33; Matthew 23:12; I Peter 5:5-6

Summary: In this week we'll observe how Absalom's arrogance led to his downfall and why living a life of humility is a better choice.

Week 3

Scripture: II Samuel 7:8-13; John 6:50-66, 14:23

Summary: In this week, we'll see how, after centuries of failed human kings, Jesus came to set up a brand-new kind of Kingdom.

Tip of the Month

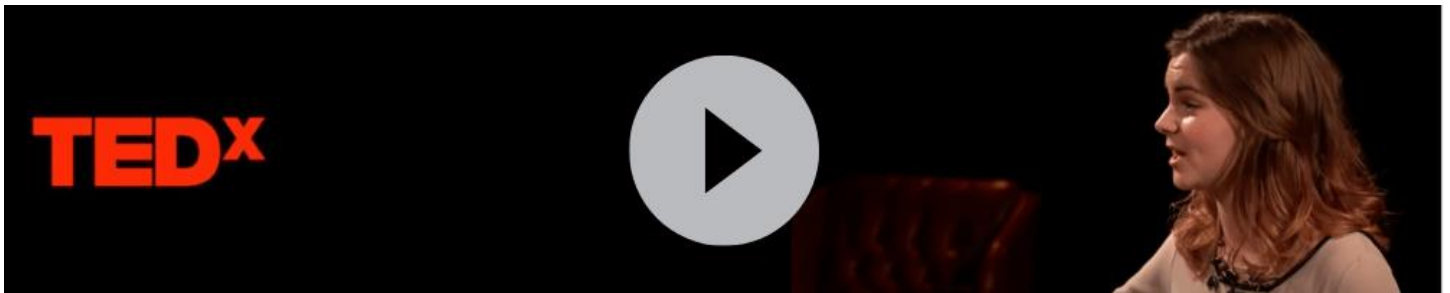
We believe that you are amazing and qualified to parent the teenagers that you are raising. That being said, even the greatest superheroes accomplish more when they are working with a team. We too often associate asking for help with weakness, when in reality, asking for help makes you (and everyone around you) better! Check out this short [parent tip video](#) for more.

Spiritual Practice of the Month

PRACTICE OF PRAYER.

As people who follow Jesus, we know that all our power comes from God alone. Like Jesus, it's in coming to God in prayer that we are reminded of and filled with His great grace and love and go on with the rest of our day in His power. This month, we are practicing prayer by setting a goal (i.e., five minute a day, 15 minutes three times a week, etc.) to pray regularly. We will try a different prayer practice each week to use during that set prayer time.

Resource of the Month



Every teenager needs an adult in their corner who hears them and cheers for them. Thank you for being the type of parent that leverages your position to help teenagers **FIND THEIR VOICE**. The little things and the little moments matter more than you think!

Question of the Month

We'd love to hear how we can better serve you and your family, not just the teenagers in your family. So we'd love it if you'd [complete a quick survey](#) so we can learn from you.