



THE BOOK OF samuel



Week 27: David, Nabal, and Abigail

Read 1 Samuel 25:1

1. What are the possible implications of Samuel's death? Take a moment to think of all that Samuel has done and all he represents.

Answer:

Read 1 Samuel 25:2-13

2. Nabal, in his response to David's servants, refers to himself eight times. What do you sense matters most to Nabal? Who does He remind you of!

Answer:

3. David, in response to Nabal's offensive response, decides quickly to take vengeance into his own hands. How does this differ from his usual way? Who does he remind you of?

Answer:

Read 1 Samuel 25:14-19

4. Abigail's behavior and involvement are out of the ordinary. Describe how.

Answer:

Read 1 Samuel 25:20-22

Note:

Read 1 Samuel 25:23-31

5. Abigail seeks to prevent the slaughter of her people at David's hands. She does this through a prophetic word about him. She is essentially reminding David of what He has been promised by God. What are those promises?

Answer:

Read 1 Samuel 25:32-39a

6. David changes his mind regarding Nabal and his men. Though Abigail can be seen as the cause for this, whom does David give credit to?

Answer:

7. Recall a time when you were determined to act or react in a way you thought was justified, but God intervened and prevented you from sinning. (Tip: your instance does not have to be as severe as David's)

Answer:

Read 1 Samuel 25:39b-44

8. God's design for marriage is exclusively between one man and one woman. But, even among biblical characters, we see instances of polygamy. We would not expect behavior like this from any of these characters, let alone David. What motivations could David have for marrying multiple women?

Answer:

