

Redeeming Response

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1 Samuel 25:1-9

In 1 Samuel 25, we discover an interesting cast of characters: David, God's chosen and anointed; Nabal, a very wealthy man—whose name means “fool”; Abigail, Nabal's wife—whose name means “father's joy” or “fountain of joy”; and the servant—who understood the urgency of the moment.

Nabal acted rudely and in contradiction to the traditions of that day. But David, also, acted in a way that contradicted the character of the chosen king by reacting in anger to Nabal's refusal.

The servant understood the seriousness of this refusal and the devastation that it could bring upon him and his master's household. He informed Abigail.

Abigail acted quickly and prudently to head off the potential disaster to not only herself but the entire household. Abigail's quick action reminds us of how a wise and godly response to anger can be the means of salvation and deliverance for one's family.

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