Embrace Holy Living



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1 Samuel 25:20-31

In 1 Samuel 25, we discovered that David, a God-chosen man, reacted to Nabal's refusal to provide food for his 600 men with anger. This was not the response of a king and leader who had been chosen by God to lead his people. It is often easier for us to react to situations rather to respond in a godly manner. We can feel justified even to the point of "spiritualizing" our reactions.

Abigail came to David in humility and, in verse 28*a*, reminded him that he was God's chosen king and that "the Lord will certainly make a lasting dynasty for my master." She also urged that "no wrongdoing will be found in you as long as you live" (v. 28*b*).

Often, you and I are guilty of reacting to situations, perhaps by taking things into our own hands and seeking revenge or "justice." God reminds us that we are children of the King and should respond in a manner that is in keeping with our being made in his image.