

1-2 SAMUEL: THE RISE OF A POET

David and Abigail **1 Samuel 25**

1. Consider a time in your life when you were offended or rejected. How did you respond? How about the other way? Have you ever been such a jerk to someone that you had to go back and apologize? How did it turn out?
2. Do you tend to take actions to defend yourself by your own hands, or do you generally trust in God? Explain.
3. What do Nabal and Saul have in common? How might this story be a parable of Saul's relation to David?
4. Why does David respond so violently to Nabal's rejection? Why did he react so differently with Saul?
5. Does Abigail do the right thing in interceding for her husband? What would you have done?
6. Would you be willing to risk a relationship or your own comfort to confront a friend or family member who is making a poor choice? How can Abigail's story encourage us in this area?
7. How is learning to forgive and trusting God to defend us not just the gospel for us but the gospel thru us?
8. Consider the pace of your life and time you spend in God's Word. Do you manage these areas in such a way that your heart is soft towards God's leading? If not, what needs to change?
9. Out of everything we talked about from God's Word today, what did the Holy Spirit use to speak to you most clearly? Now that He's shown you that, what are you going to do about it?
10. Do you genuinely see the Lord as your defender? Spend some time praying thru Psalm 18.1-3.