

“Better Than Revenge”

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Romans 12:17-21

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Introduction:

- A. Our natural inclination when someone _____ us is to try to get _____ by _____ them back.
- B. The people of God do not _____.
- C. If there ever was someone who had a _____ to take vengeance into his own hands, it was _____.

The Story

- A. The name En Gedi means “_____ of the _____”
- B. One of the greatest tests of character comes at moments like these, when our _____ is in a most _____ situation.
- C. So what did David do? He cut off the _____ of Saul’s _____.
- D. In Saul’s rational moments, he know the truth—that David is not a _____, and that David is righteous, and will be the next _____.
- E. _____ chapters later we see that Saul is once again in _____ of David.
- F. In the second story, instead of taking Saul’s life, David took his _____ and his _____.
- G. Saul was again cut to the heart and said, “I have _____.”
- H. This was the last _____ between King Saul and David.

II. The Application

- A. We should expect that we are going to be _____.
- B. We should anticipate feelings of _____.
- C. We should leave the _____ in the _____ of God.

Answer Key: Intro.: A. hurts, revenge, hurting. B. retaliate. C. right, David. I.A. spring, goat. I.B. enemy, vulnerable. I.C. corner, robe. I.D. usurper, king. I.E. Two, pursuit. I.F. spear, water, jug. I.G. sinned. I.H. encounter. II.A. mistreated. II.B. revenge. II.C. matter, hands.