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#### 1 Samuel 25.

##### 1 . Death of Samuel. .

Samuel died; and all Israel gathered themselves together, and lamented him, and buried him in his house at Ramah. David arose, and went down to the wilderness of Paran.

2 There was a man in Maon, whose possessions were in Carmel; and the man was very great, and he had three thousand sheep, and a thousand goats: and he was shearing his sheep in Carmel.

3 Now the name of the man was Nabal; and the name of his wife Abigail; and the woman was of good understanding, and of a beautiful face: but the man was churlish and evil in his doings; and he was of the house of Caleb.

4 David heard in the wilderness that Nabal was shearing his sheep.

5 David sent ten young men, and David said to the young men, "Go up to Carmel, and go to Nabal, and greet him in my name.

6 You shall tell him, 'Long life to you! Peace be to you, and peace be to your house, and peace be to all that you have.

7 Now I have heard that you have shearers. Your shepherds have now been with us, and we didn't hurt them, neither was there anything missing from them, all the while they were in Carmel.

8 Ask your young men, and they will tell you. Therefore, let the young men find favor in your eyes; for we come in a good day. Please give whatever comes to your hand, to your servants, and to your son David.'"

9 When David's young men came, they spoke to Nabal according to all those words in the name of David, and ceased.

10 Nabal answered David's servants, and said, "Who is David? Who is the son of Jesse? There are many servants who break away from their masters these days.

11 Shall I then take my bread, and my water, and my meat that I have killed for my shearers, and give it to men who I don't know where they come from?"

12 So David's young men turned on their way, and went back, and came and told him according to all these words.

13 David said to his men, "Every man put on his sword!" Every man put on his sword. David also put on his sword. About four hundred men followed David; and two hundred stayed by the baggage.

14 But one of the young men told Abigail, Nabal's wife, saying, "Behold, David sent messengers out of the wilderness to Greet our master; and he railed at them.

15 But the men were very good to us, and we were not hurt, neither missed we anything, as long as we went with them, when we were in the fields.

16 They were a wall to us both by night and by day, all the while we were with them keeping the sheep.

17 Now therefore know and consider what you will do; for evil is determined against our master, and against all his house; for he is such a worthless fellow that one can't speak to him."

18 Then Abigail hurried and took two hundred loaves of bread, two bottles of wine, five sheep ready dressed, five measures of parched grain, one hundred clusters of raisins, and two hundred cakes of figs, and laid them on donkeys.

19 She said to her young men, "Go on before me. Behold, I come after you." But she didn't tell her husband, Nabal.

20 It was so, as she rode on her donkey, and came down by the covert of the mountain, that behold, David and his men came down toward her; and she met them.

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21 Now David had said, “Surely in vain have I kept all that this fellow has in the wilderness, so that nothing was missed of all that pertained to him. He has returned me evil for good.

22 ELOHIM do so to the enemies of David, and more also, if I leave of all that belongs to him by the morning light so much as one who urinates on a wall.”

23 When Abigail saw David, she hurried, and alighted from her donkey, and fell before David on her face, and bowed herself to the ground.

24 She fell at his feet, and said, “On me, my master, on me be the iniquity; and please let your handmaid speak in your ears. Hear the words of your handmaid.

25 Please don’t let my master regard this worthless fellow, even Nabal; for as his name is, so is he. Nabal is his name, and folly is with him; but I, your handmaid, didn’t see the young men of my master, whom you sent.

26 Now therefore, my master, as YHWH lives, and as your soul lives, since YHWH has withheld you from blood guiltiness, and from avenging yourself with your own hand, now therefore let your enemies, and those who seek evil to my master, be as Nabal.

27 Now this present which your servant has brought to my master, let it be given to the young men who follow my master.

28 Please forgive the trespass of your handmaid. For YHWH will certainly make my master a sure house, because my master fights the battles of YHWH; and evil shall not be found in you all your days.

29 Though men may rise up to pursue you, and to seek your soul, yet the soul of my master shall be bound in the bundle of life with YHWH your ELOHIM! He will sling out the souls of your enemies, as from the hollow of a sling.

30 It shall come to pass, when YHWH has done to my master according to all the good that he has spoken concerning you, and shall have appointed you prince over Israel,

31 that this shall be no grief to you, nor offense of heart to my master, either that you have shed blood without cause, or that my master has avenged himself. When YHWH has dealt well with my master, then remember your handmaid.”

32 David said to Abigail, “Blessed is YHWH, the ELOHIM of Israel, who sent you this day to meet me!

33 Blessed is your discretion, and blessed are you, that have kept me this day from blood guiltiness, and from avenging myself with my own hand.

34 For indeed, as YHWH, the ELOHIM of Israel, lives, who has withheld me from hurting you, unless you had hurried and come to meet me, surely there wouldn’t have been left to Nabal by the morning light so much as one who urinates on a wall.”

35 So David received of her hand that which she had brought him: and he said to her, “Go up in peace to your house. Behold, I have listened to your voice, and have granted your request.”

36 Abigail came to Nabal; and behold, he held a feast in his house, like the feast of a king. Nabal’s heart was merry within him, for he was very drunken. Therefore she told him nothing, less or more, until the morning light.

37 It happened in the morning, when the wine was gone out of Nabal, that his wife told him these things, and his heart died within him, and he became as a stone.

38 It happened about ten days after, that YHWH struck Nabal, so that he died.

39 When David heard that Nabal was dead, he said, “Blessed is YHWH, who has pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal, and has kept back his servant from evil. YHWH has returned the evildoing of Nabal on his own head.” David sent and spoke concerning Abigail, to take her to him as wife.

40 When the servants of David had come to Abigail to Carmel, they spoke to her, saying, “David has sent us to you, to take you to him as wife.”

41 She arose, and bowed herself with her face to the earth, and said, “Behold, your

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handmaid is a servant to wash the feet of the servants of my master.”

42 Abigail hurried, and arose, and rode on a donkey, with five ladies of hers who followed her; and she went after the messengers of David, and became his wife.

43 David also took Ahinoam of Jezreel; and they both became his wives.

44 Now Saul had given Michal his daughter, David’s wife, to Palti the son of Laish, who was of Gallim.

### Psalms 68.

#### 1 . To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. A Song..

For the Chief Musician. A Psalm by David. A song. Let ELOHIM arise! Let his enemies be scattered! Let them who hate him also flee before him.

2 As smoke is driven away, so drive them away. As wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of ELOHIM!

3 But let the righteous be glad. Let them rejoice before ELOHIM! Yes, let them rejoice with gladness.

4 Sing to ELOHIM! Sing praises to his name! Extol him who rides on the clouds: to YAH, his name! Rejoice before him!

5 A father of the fatherless, and a defender of the widows, is ELOHIM in his holy habitation.

6 ELOHIM sets the lonely in families. He brings out the prisoners with singing, but the rebellious dwell in a sun-scorched land.

7 ELOHIM, when you went forth before your people, when you marched through the wilderness... Selah.

8 The earth trembled. The sky also poured down rain at the presence of the ELOHIM of Sinai at the presence of ELOHIM, the ELOHIM of Israel.

9 You, ELOHIM, sent a plentiful rain. You confirmed your inheritance, when it was weary.

10 Your congregation lived therein. You, ELOHIM, prepared your goodness for the poor.

11 ADONAI announced the word. The ones who proclaim it are a great company.

12 “Kings of armies flee! They flee!” She who waits at home divides the spoil,

13 while you sleep among the campfires, the wings of a dove sheathed with silver, her feathers with shining gold.

14 When the Almighty scattered kings in her, it snowed on Zalmon.

15 The mountains of Bashan are majestic mountains. The mountains of Bashan are rugged.

16 Why do you look in envy, you rugged mountains, at the mountain where ELOHIM chooses to reign? Yes, YHWH will dwell there forever.

17 The chariots of ELOHIM are tens of thousands and thousands of thousands. ADONAI is among them, from Sinai, into the sanctuary.

18 You have ascended on high. You have led away captives. You have received gifts among men, yes, among the rebellious also, that YAH ELOHIM might dwell there.

19 Blessed be ADONAI, who daily bears our burdens, even the EL who is our salvation. Selah.

20 ELOHIM is to us an ELOHIM of deliverance. To YHWH, ADONAI, belongs escape from death.

21 But ELOHIM will strike through the head of his enemies, the hairy scalp of such a one as still continues in his guiltiness.

22 ADONAI said, “I will bring you again from Bashan, I will bring you again from the depths of the sea;

23 That you may crush them, dipping your foot in blood, that the tongues of your dogs

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may have their portion from your enemies.”

24 They have seen your processions, ELOHIM, even the processions of my ELOHIM, my King, into the sanctuary.

25 The singers went before, the minstrels followed after, in the midst of the ladies playing with tambourines,

26 “Bless ELOHIM in the congregations, even ADONAI in the assembly of Israel!”

27 There is little Benjamin, their ruler, the princes of Judah, their council, the princes of Zebulun, and the princes of Naphtali.

28 Your ELOHIM has commanded your strength. Strengthen, ELOHIM, that which you have done for us.

29 Because of your temple at Jerusalem, kings shall bring presents to you.

30 Rebuke the wild animal of the reeds, the multitude of the bulls, with the calves of the peoples. Being humbled, may it bring bars of silver. Scatter the nations that delight in war.

31 Princes shall come out of Egypt. Ethiopia shall hurry to stretch out her hands to ELOHIM!

32 Sing to ELOHIM, you kingdoms of the earth! Sing praises to ADONAI! Selah.

33 To him who rides on the heaven of heavens, which are of old; behold, he utters his voice, a mighty voice.

34 Ascribe strength to ELOHIM! His excellency is over Israel, his strength is in the skies.

35 You are awesome, ELOHIM, in your sanctuaries. The EL of Israel gives strength and power to his people. Praise be to ELOHIM!

### Proverbs 25.

1 These also are proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out.

2 It is the glory of ELOHIM to conceal a thing, but the glory of kings is to search out a matter.

3 As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the hearts of kings are unsearchable.

4 Take away the dross from the silver, and material comes out for the refiner;

5 Take away the wicked from the king's presence, and his throne will be established in righteousness.

6 Don't exalt yourself in the presence of the king, or claim a place among great men;

7 for it is better that it be said to you, “Come up here,” than that you should be put lower in the presence of the prince, whom your eyes have seen.

8 Don't be hasty in bringing charges to court. What will you do in the end when your neighbor shames you?

9 Debate your case with your neighbor, and don't betray the confidence of another;

10 lest one who hears it put you to shame, and your bad reputation never depart.

11 A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver.

12 As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, so is a wise reprovor to an obedient ear.

13 As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to those who send him; for he refreshes the soul of his masters.

14 As clouds and wind without rain, so is he who boasts of gifts deceptively.

15 By patience a ruler is persuaded. A soft tongue breaks the bone.

16 Have you found honey? Eat as much as is sufficient for you, lest you eat too much, and vomit it.

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- 17 Let your foot be seldom in your neighbor's house, lest he be weary of you, and hate you.
- 18 A man who gives false testimony against his neighbor is like a club, a sword, or a sharp arrow.
- 19 Confidence in someone unfaithful in time of trouble is like a bad tooth, or a lame foot.
- 20 As one who takes away a garment in cold weather, or vinegar on soda, so is one who sings songs to a heavy heart.
- 21 If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat. If he is thirsty, give him water to drink: for you will heap coals of fire on his head, and YHWH will reward you.
- 22 The north wind brings forth rain: so a backbiting tongue brings an angry face.
- 23 It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than to share a house with a contentious woman.
- 24 Like cold water to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country.
- 25 Like a muddied spring, and a polluted well, so is a righteous man who gives way before the wicked.
- 26 It is not good to eat much honey; nor is it honorable to seek one's own honor.
- 27 Like a city that is broken down and without walls is a man whose spirit is without restraint.

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