



Abigail

Abigail seems to live out these New Testament verses from Philippians 2 hundreds and hundreds of years before they were written -

“Instead of being motivated by selfish ambition or vanity, each of you should, in humility, be moved to treat one another as more important than yourself. Each of you should be concerned not only about your own interests, but about the interests of others as well. You should have the same attitude toward one another that Christ Jesus had, who though he existed in the form of God did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself by taking on the form of a slave, by looking like other men, and by sharing in human nature. He humbled himself, by becoming obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross! As a result God highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow—in heaven and on earth and under the earth—and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father.” vv3-11 (NET)

Like Jesus, Abigail emptied herself of all honor which was rightfully hers as the wife of a wealthy man and in true humility approached David in complete submission. In so doing, she saved the lives of all of those in her household and under her care.

Abigail is a stellar example to us of a real lady, and someone whose right actions are accompanied by a right attitude of heart.

1. List all the “facts” you know about Abigail from today’s reading.

Day 1

Read

1 Samuel 25

2 Samuel 3:3

2. Research and describe the world in which Abigail lived.

1. Write a character sketch of Abigail based on what is revealed about her life, her choices and her actions from today's readings. (Think: character qualities)

Day 2

Reread

1 Samuel 25

2 Samuel 3:3

2. What can you infer about Abigail's thoughts or beliefs based on her actions described in today's readings?

1. What pivotal point(s) in Abigail's life do you see?
What was her response to each?

Day 3

Reread

1 Samuel 25

2 Samuel 3:3

2. What can we learn from Abigail's life or her example? Be specific.

1. How do you relate to Abigail or elements from her story?

Day 4

Reread

1 Samuel 25

2 Samuel 3:3

2. What is God showing you through Abigail's testimony?

1. What overall theme(s) do you notice in Abigail's life?

2. From the above list, pick the one theme God is impressing upon you and research what His Word has to say on that specific topic.

Day 5

Reread

1 Samuel 25

2 Samuel 3:3

3. Write a third person introduction to Abigail below based on your personal application from number 2.