



## A Rose Between Two Thorns (I Sam. 25)

Sunday, June 6, 2021 AVBC

A fool says in his heart, "There is no God." (Ps.14:1)

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, but fools despise wisdom and discipline. (Proverbs 1:7)

You have heard... 'Do not murder'...But I tell you that anyone who is angry with his brother will be subject to judgement....anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell.(Matt. 5:21,22)

### SCENE ONE- NABAL & DAVID (vs. 10-13)

### SCENE TWO- ABIGAIL & SERVANT (vs. 14-17)

Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? (II Corinthians 6:14)

### SCENE THREE- ABIGAIL & DAVID (vs. 18-35)

- She demonstrated a sensitive \_\_\_\_\_.
- She demonstrated a solid \_\_\_\_\_.

### SCENE FOUR- ABIGAIL AND NABAL (vs. 36-39)

Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: 'It is mine to avenge; I will repay,' says the Lord. (Romans 12:19)

➤ **NABAL- You \_\_\_\_\_ what you \_\_\_\_\_.**

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a person sows, this he will also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will reap destruction from the flesh, but the one who sows to the Spirit will reap eternal life from the Spirit. Let's not become discouraged in doing good, for in due time we will reap, if we do not become weary. (Galatians 6:7-9)

➤ **DAVID- Never let down your spiritual \_\_\_\_\_.**

Therefore let the one who thinks he stands watch out that he does not fall. (I Corinthians 10:12)

➤ **ABIGAIL- You don't have to become like the people you \_\_\_\_\_ with if those people are not like \_\_\_\_\_.**

But if it is disagreeable in your sight to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves today whom you will serve: whether the gods which your fathers served, which were beyond the Euphrates River, or the gods of the Amorite in whose land you are living; but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD. (Joshua 24:15)

### DIGGING DEEPER

(For use in personal/family devotions or with your care group.)

Q1: Who have been some thorns in your life? How about roses? What were the characteristics/qualities of those who were like a rose in your life?

Q2: What do the following passages teach you about what it is to be a "fool"? Psalm 14, Proverbs 1:7; Proverbs 14:1,3,7-9, 16-18, 24,29; Proverbs 15:2,5,7,14,20-21,33.

Q3: Has the Lord ever called you to intervene in a situation in order to calm things down before they explode? If so, explain what you had to do to de-escalate the situation.

Q4: A.W. Tozer said, "What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us." How did Abigail's theology shape her behavior? How are your actions/reactions governed by what you believe about the Lord?

Q5: Of the three life lessons Pastor David mentioned at the end of his sermon, which one is most important to you right now? Why?