



Sunday 12th November 2023
Anger turned to Joy (1 Samuel 25)

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Questions for our midweek discipleship groups and personal reflection

Watch out for anger that comes from personal offence (v.1-13)

Describe Nabal's character (v.3). What was he most concerned about in his life? How can our love for earthly possessions affect our godly character?

Whilst Nabal's response to David's request was less than generous, why was David's reaction way out of proportion (v.13)? Why are our reactions sometimes also out of proportion when we feel wronged?

Do you allow God to uncover the sins that may be buried deep down in your heart? How might you make space and time for Him to reveal & deal with what's in there?

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What was David's emotional state when he first met Abigail (v.21-22)? What might he have been hoping her to say to him?

Why is it not a great idea to surround ourselves with people who simply back up our instant reactions?

In blessing David:

1. How did Abigail recompense David (v.18, 27, 35)?
2. How did Abigail reason with David (v.24-26, 31, 33-34)?
3. What did Abigail remind David about God's promises (28-30)?

How did David respond to God's word through Abigail (v.32-35)?

How have you experienced God's word transform you as you've allowed Him to speak to your heart (Hebrews 4:12)?

Trust that God's justice will prevail (v.36-44)

Why is it better to allow God to bring judgement on those who have wronged us rather than take revenge? (Romans 12:19)

Are there people or situations you need to hand over to God right now?