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[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_01 And Samuel died ; And all the Israelites were gathered together , And lamented him , And buried him in his house at Ramah . And David arose , And went down to the wilderness of Paran .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_02 And \[ there was \] 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 .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_03 now the name of the man \[ was \] Nabal ; And the name of his wife Abigail : And \[ she was \] A woman of good understanding , And of A beautiful countenance : but the man \[ was \] churlish And evil in his doings ; And he \[ was \] of the house of Caleb .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_04 And David heard in the wilderness that Nabal did shear his sheep .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_05 And David sent out ten young men , And David said unto the young men , get you up to Carmel , And go to Nabal , And Greet him in my name :](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_06 And thus shall ye say to him that liveth \[ in prosperity \] , peace \[ be \] Both to thee , And peace \[ be \] to thine house , And peace \[ be \] unto all that thou hast .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_07 And now I have heard that thou hast shearers : now thy shepherds which were with us , we hurt them not , neither was there ought missing unto them , all the while they were in Carmel .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_08 ask thy young men , And they will show thee . Wherefore let the young men find favour in thine eyes : for we come in A good day : give , I pray thee , whatsoever cometh to thine hand unto thy servants , And to thy son David .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_09 And when David's young men came , they spake to Nabal according to all those words in the name of David , And ceased .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_10 And Nabal answered David's servants , And said , who \[ Is \] David ? And who \[ Is \] the son of Jesse ? there be Many servants now A days that break away every man from his master .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_11 shall I Then take my bread , And my water , And my flesh that I have killed for my shearers , And give \[ it \] unto men , whom I know not whence they \[ be \] ?](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_12 So David's young men turned their way , And went again , And came And told him all those sayings .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_13 And David said unto his men , gird ye on every man his sword . And they girded on every man his sword ; And David also girded on his sword : And there went up after David about four hundred men ; And two hundred abode by the stuff .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_14 but one of the young men told Abigail , Nabal's wife , saying , behold , David sent messengers out of the wilderness to salute our master ; And he railed on them .](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_15 but the men \[ were \] very good unto us , And we were not hurt , neither missed we any thing , as long as we were conversant with them , when we were in the fields :](#)

[09\\_1SA\\_25\\_16 they were A wall unto us Both by night And day , all the while we were with them keeping](#)

the sheep .

09\_1SA\_25\_17 now therefore know And consider what thou wilt do ; for evil is determined against our master , And against all his household : for he [ is such ] A son of Belial , that [ A man ] cannot speak to him .

09\_1SA\_25\_18 Then Abigail made haste , And took two hundred loaves , And two bottles of wine , And five sheep ready dressed , And five measures of parched [ corn ] , And an hundred clusters of raisins , And two hundred cakes of figs , And laid [ them ] on asses .

09\_1SA\_25\_19 And she said unto her servants , go on before me ; behold , I come after you . but she told not her husband Nabal .

09\_1SA\_25\_20 And it was [ So , as ] she rode on the ass , that she came down by the covert of the hill , And , behold , David And his men came down against her ; And she met them .

09\_1SA\_25\_21 now David had said , surely in vain have I kept all that this [ fellow ] hath in the wilderness , So that nothing was missed of all that [ pertained ] unto him : And he hath requited me evil for good .

09\_1SA\_25\_22 So And more also do God unto the enemies of David , if I leave of all that [ pertain ] to him by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall .

09\_1SA\_25\_23 And when Abigail saw David , she hasted , And lighted off the ass , And fell before David on her face , And bowed herself to the ground ,

09\_1SA\_25\_24 And fell at his feet , And said , upon me , my LORD , [ upon ] me [ let this ] iniquity [ be ] : And let thine handmaid , I pray thee , speak in thine audience , And hear the words of thine handmaid .

09\_1SA\_25\_25 let not my LORD , I pray thee , regard this man of Belial , [ even ] Nabal : for as his name [ is ] , So [ is ] he ; Nabal [ is ] his name , And folly [ is ] with him : but I thine handmaid saw not the young men of my LORD , whom thou didst send .

09\_1SA\_25\_26 now therefore , my LORD , [ as ] the LORD liveth , And [ as ] thy soul liveth , seeing the LORD hath withholden thee from coming to [ shed ] blood , And from avenging thyself with thine own hand , now let thine enemies , And they that seek evil to my LORD , be as Nabal .

09\_1SA\_25\_27 And now this blessing which thine handmaid hath brought unto my LORD , let it even be given unto the young men that follow my LORD .

09\_1SA\_25\_28 I pray thee , forgive the trespass of thine handmaid : for the LORD will certainly make my LORD A sure house ; because my LORD fighteth the battles of the LORD , And evil hath not been found in thee [ all ] thy days .

09\_1SA\_25\_29 yet A man is risen to pursue thee , And to seek thy soul : but the soul of my LORD shall be bound in the bundle of life with the LORD thy God ; And the souls of thine enemies , them shall he sling out , [ as out ] of the middle of A sling .

09\_1SA\_25\_30 And it shall come to pass , when the LORD shall have done to my LORD according to all the good that he hath spoken concerning thee , And shall have appointed thee ruler over Israel ;

09\_1SA\_25\_31 that this shall be no grief unto thee , nor offence of heart unto my LORD , either that thou hast shed blood causeless , or that my LORD hath avenged himself : but when the LORD shall have dealt Well with my LORD , Then Remember thine handmaid .

09\_1SA\_25\_32 And David said to Abigail , blessed [ be ] the LORD God of Israel , which sent thee this day

to meet me :

09\_1SA\_25\_33 And blessed [ be ] thy advice , And blessed [ be ] thou , which hast kept me this day from coming to [ shed ] blood , And from avenging myself with mine own hand .

09\_1SA\_25\_34 for in very deed , [ as ] the LORD God of Israel liveth , which hath kept me back from hurting thee , except thou hadst hasted And come to meet me , surely there had not been left unto Nabal by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall .

09\_1SA\_25\_35 So David received of her hand [ that ] which she had brought him , And said unto her , go up in peace to thine house ; see , I have hearkened to thy voice , And have accepted thy person .

09\_1SA\_25\_36 And Abigail came to Nabal ; And , behold , he held A feast in his house , like the feast of A king ; And Nabal's heart [ was ] merry within him , for he [ was ] very drunken : Wherefore she told him nothing , less or more , until the morning light .

09\_1SA\_25\_37 but it came to pass in the morning , when the wine was gone out of Nabal , And his wife had told him These things , that his heart died within him , And he became [ as ] A stone .

09\_1SA\_25\_38 And it came to pass about ten days [ after ] , that the LORD smote Nabal , that he died .

09\_1SA\_25\_39 And when David heard that Nabal was dead , he said , blessed [ be ] the LORD , that hath pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal , And hath kept his servant from evil : for the LORD hath returned the wickedness of Nabal upon his own head . And David sent And communed with Abigail , to take her to him to wife .

09\_1SA\_25\_40 And when the servants of David were come to Abigail to Carmel , they spake unto her , saying , David sent us unto thee , to take thee to him to wife .

09\_1SA\_25\_41 And she arose , And bowed herself on [ her ] face to the earth , And said , behold , [ let ] thine handmaid [ be ] A servant to Wash the feet of the servants of my LORD .

09\_1SA\_25\_42 And Abigail hasted , And arose , And rode upon an ass , with five damsels of hers that went after her ; And she went after the messengers of David , And became his wife .

09\_1SA\_25\_43 David also took Ahinoam of Jezreel ; And they were also Both of them his wives .

09\_1SA\_25\_44 but Saul had given Michal his daughter , David's wife , to Phalti the son of Laish , which [ was ] of Gallim .