

DAVID AND SAUL



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David and his friends were hiding in the desert because King Saul was jealous and wanted to catch him.

They helped protect people's sheep from bad guys.

One day, they asked a rich man named Nabal for some food as a thank you.



Nabal was grumpy and said
no!

He was rude and didn't share,
even though David had been
kind to his workers.

David got angry and decided
to teach Nabal a lesson.



Nabal's wife, Abigail, was wise and kind.

She heard about the trouble and quickly packed bread, fruit, and treats on donkeys.

She rode out to meet David and say sorry for her husband's meanness.



Abigail bowed to David and
said,
“Please forgive us!
God will make you a great king
one day.”

David listened and forgave.

He thanked Abigail for
stopping him from doing
something bad.



When Abigail told Nabal what happened, he got so shocked he became sick and died.

David was glad Abigail was free and asked her to marry him.

She said yes, and they lived happily.



King Saul was still chasing David.

One night, David and his friend sneaked into Saul's camp while everyone slept.

They found Saul's spear and water jug but didn't hurt him.



David took the spear and jug to show he could have hurt Saul but chose kindness instead.

He called out from a hill,
“Look, I spared your life!”

Saul felt sorry and promised to stop chasing.



To stay safe, David went to live with the Philistines, who were neighbors.

Their king gave him a town called Ziklag.

David pretended to be on their side but really helped his own people.



King Saul was afraid of a big battle with the Philistines. He inquired of the Lord, but He did not answer him.



He broke the Lord's rules and asked a medium to call up and get advice from his old friend and Prophet Samuel, who had died.

Samuel's spirit appeared and said Saul was in big trouble for not obeying the Lord.



**David showed us to be kind
even when others are mean,
to forgive like he did with
Saul, and to trust God in scary
times.**





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