

“Abigail: Being a Person of Loyalty”

Being a Stand-Up Person in a Bow-Down World • pt. 8

1 Samuel 25

INTRODUCTION

“Be imitators of me, just as I am of Christ.” – Paul

BIG IDEA

**loyalty toward friends and family
is founded upon my loyalty to Christ
is founded on His loyalty to me**

1. The foolish response of a self-serving man (25:2-17)

- Nabal’s character
- Nabal’s choice
- Nabal’s consequences

2. The wise response of a loyal woman (25:18-38)

- Abigail’s action
- Abigail’s attitude
Rom. 12:19; 1 Thess. 4:6

lesson #1: be wise _____ you communicate

lesson #2: _____ comes to those who show loyal love

APPLICATION

loyalty toward friends and family

- am I loyal to my family?
“Marriage is an act of will, divorce an act of won’t”
– Josh Greenfield

1 Tim. 5:8

is founded upon my loyalty to Christ

- am I loyal to Christ?
1 Ki. 8:61

is founded on His loyalty to me

- God is loyal to His own
 - *chesed* = covenantal loyalty
Ex. 34:6-7; 1 Ki. 8:23; Ps. 100:5
Jn. 10:27-29; Heb. 13:5