



Δ Treasure For Mothers

1 Samuel 25:2-42

Mother's Day

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Theme: **Cultivate the beautiful gem of discernment.**

Abigail's story.

1. Setting the scene.
2. The events.

What discernment is.

1. A description of discernment. (3, 33)
2. Developing discernment. (see Proverbs 2; 3:5-6)

What discernment looks like.

1. It leads to action, prevents panic. (17-18)
2. It maintains godly character in tough times. (20, 23-25, 28)
3. It sees the best for others in addition to yourself. (26, 31-33)
4. It is loyal to God's plans and people. (28-31)

What discernment produces.

1. A God-honoring resolution to problems. (32-35)
2. God's blessing. (34-42)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. Read through the account of Abigail in 1 Samuel 25:2-42. When you finish, record some of the main points and your own overall observations.

Tuesday. Abigail had great discernment. Review verses 3 and 33 and then look at Proverbs chapters 2 & 3. Check a dictionary for a definition of discernment. Now, write out what discernment pictures, including some examples from Abigail and other people that come to mind. Remember that discernment is a gift from God to everyone of His people—including you. It is given as we ask, spend time learning God’s word, and live the truth we learn.

Wednesday. Review the four examples of what discernment looks like from the outline sheet, checking the references cited for each one. As you identify them in Abigail, try to identify examples of them in yourself and other people you know as well. How do you characterize your own development of discernment? What are some aspects or areas where you need to grow?

Thursday. On Sunday we also looked at some of the benefits of discernment, i.e., God-honoring resolutions to problems and God’s blessings. As you review these, checking the outline, the verses and your notes, identify specific situations you face now in which you need discernment. Bring those to God in prayer, trusting Him to provide what you need.

Friday – Saturday. On Sunday we plan to return to the series in the book of Romans. In preparation, read and think through Romans 14:1-12.