

# The Restraining Grace of God

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The Heart  
of a King

## SHARE

What is your favorite thing about summer? What is your least favorite?

## COMING UP

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**Vacation Bible School** June 16–20 • All kids entering Grades 1–6 in the fall are invited to join us for a wild adventure! As we build a solid rock foundation in Jesus through lessons, games, snacks, crafts, science experiments, and music, we'll learn that Jesus is our true north. Students entering Grades 7–8 in the fall are invited to our special Youth VBS where we'll focus on building leadership skills as we serve the elementary VBS and have our own Bible teaching times. To get more info or register, visit [GracePolaris.org/VBS](https://GracePolaris.org/VBS).

**Baptism Class** June 29 at 10:45 a.m. • WC 10 • If you're a follower of Jesus but haven't been baptized, join us for this one-week class to gain a biblical understanding of baptism. RSVP for this required class and apply to be baptized at [GracePolaris.org/Baptism](https://GracePolaris.org/Baptism) or text **BAPTISM** to **614-888-7733**.

## MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

Our coffee ministry team serves on Sunday mornings by brewing coffee and restocking supplies at coffee stations before both services. To learn more about serving with this ministry, fill out the form at [GracePolaris.org/Serve](https://GracePolaris.org/Serve), select **hospitality** and a staff member will be in touch.

## WITNESS

### PLAY OF THE WEEK

Share a personal story, no more than two minutes long. This is intended to stimulate spiritual thirst, keep the dialogue going, and demonstrate the relevance of Christ in our daily lives. These are true stories about how God has shown up in real and relevant ways since you've come to know Him.

## EXPLORE

- 1 What stood out to you in this sermon?
- 2 Contrast Nabal and Abigail throughout 1 Samuel 25. In what ways would you want to be less like Nabal and more like Abigail?
- 3 Read 1 Samuel 25:33. Why would it have been sinful for David to work out his salvation with his own hand? How are you tempted to work out your own salvation instead of trusting in the Lord?
- 4 How do you see the Lord's faithfulness to David even in his unfaithfulness? How have you seen God working this way in your life?
- 5 The Lord used Abigail to restrain David from falling into sin. Are you as much aware of the Lord restraining you as you are of times when He is prompting you to action?
- 6 How do you sense the Lord leading you to apply this teaching from 1 Samuel?

## PRAY

Pray that you would follow the Lord's leading to action as well as His restraint from sin.