# The Restraining Grace of God

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# We need God's restraining grace to lead us and keep us.



### When Abigail saw David, she hurried and got down from the donkey and fell before David on her face and bowed to the ground.



# She fell at his feet and said, "On me alone, my lord, be the guilt. Please let your servant speak in your ears, and hear the words of your servant.



### Let not my lord regard this worthless fellow, Nabal, for as his name is, so is he. Nabal is his name, and folly is with him. But I your servant did not see the young men of my lord, whom you sent.



and those who seek to do evil to my lord be as Nabal.

### Now then, my lord, as the Lord lives, and as your soul lives, because the Lord has restrained you from bloodguilt and from saving with your own hand, now then let your enemies



# And now let this present that your servant has brought to my lord be given to the young men who follow my lord.



### Please forgive the trespass of your servant. For the Lord will certainly make my lord a sure house, because my lord is fighting the battles of the Lord, and evil shall not be found in you so long as you live.



### If men rise up to pursue you and to seek your life, the life of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of the living in the care of the Lord your God. And the lives of your enemies He shall sling out as from the hollow of a sling.



### And when the Lord has done to my lord according to all the good that He has spoken concerning you and has appointed you prince over Israel,



for having shed blood without cause or for my lord well with my lord, then remember your servant."

# my lord shall have no cause of grief or pangs of conscience working salvation himself. And when the Lord has dealt



### A Reasonable Request (25:2-9)



## **An Unreasonable Reaction** (25:10–13, 21,22)



### Unexpected Wisdom (25:14-20, 23-31)



## A Repentant Response (25:32–35)



# A Just Result (25:36–42)



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