

AN ANGRY MAN, A WISE WOMAN & A FOOL

1 Samuel 25

Central Idea: *As believers, we are not to display ungodly anger because it doesn't accomplish the purposes of God in our lives.*

🔗 **Looking at Success and Failure in David's Life (24-26)**

Success (1 Samuel 24 & 26)	Failure (1 Samuel 25)
Victory over sin	
Unconditional love	
Forgiveness	
Trusting God	
Humility	

🔗 **Learning from the Lives of Others (25)**

- Nabal ... a fool
- David ... an angry man

- Abigail ... a wise woman

Abigail reminds David of 3 things ...

1. God is at work in these circumstances (26)
2. God is the One who protects and avenges (28-29)
3. Obedience will bring peace of mind (30-31)

🔗 **Living as God Desires**

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Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

1. Read 1 Samuel 25 in its entirety using the Living Bible paraphrase or New Living Translation.
2. Recall what was happening in David's life at this point (see 1 Samuel 24). How might his situation have affected his emotions and decisions in chapter 25?
3. How would you describe Nabal's response to David (vv. 9–11)? What does it show about pride and selfishness?
4. Do you think David's reaction to Nabal's insult was justified? Should he have been angry? How could David have been angry and yet not sin?
5. How does this moment reveal David's humanity and weakness—even as a man after God's own heart?
6. How does Abigail model godly wisdom, humility, and courage?
7. How can we learn to pause and seek God before reacting in anger?

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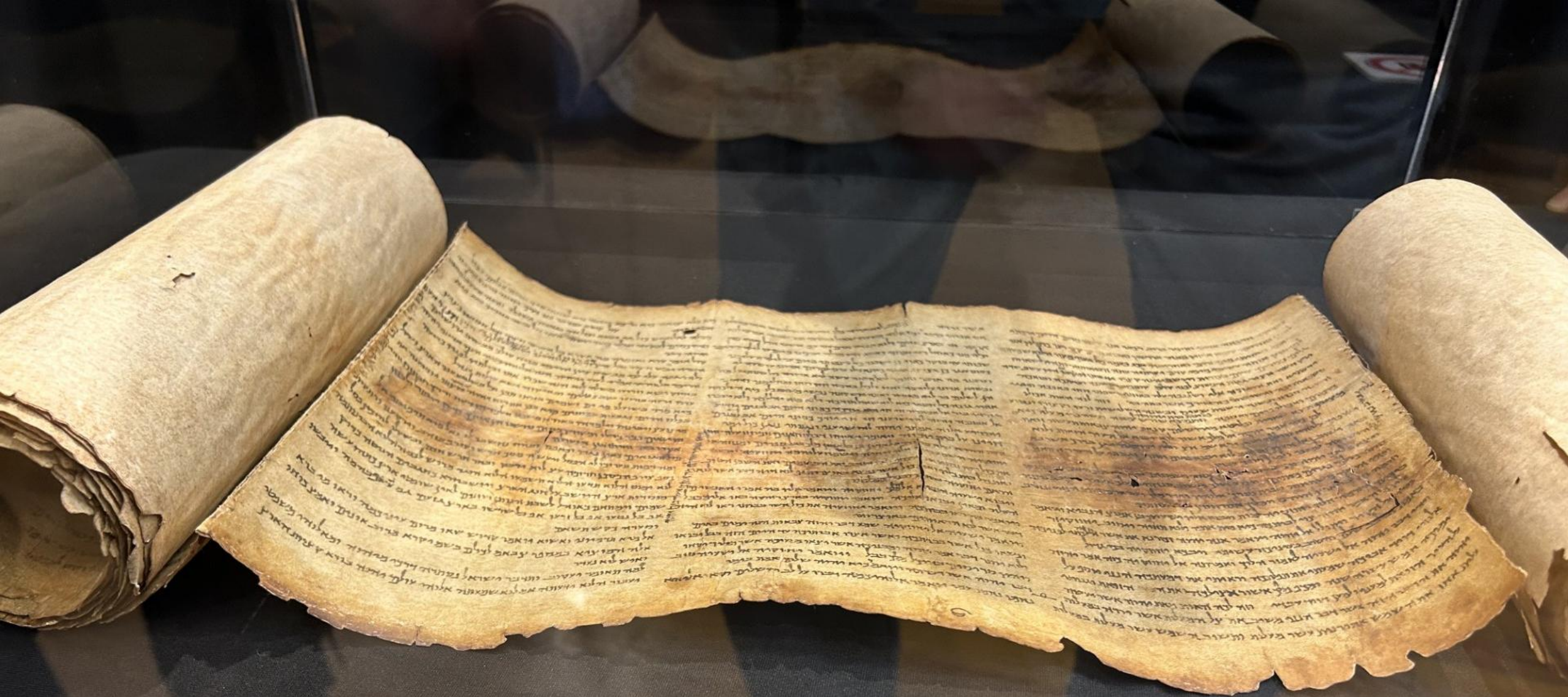




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"For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given; And the government shall be upon his shoulder; And his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6



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Mao's Little Red Book with Scripture

Circa 1964

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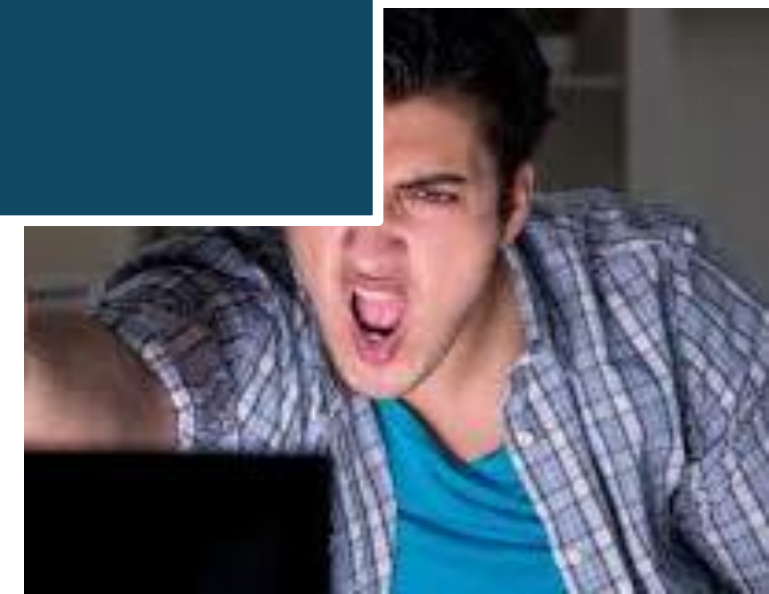
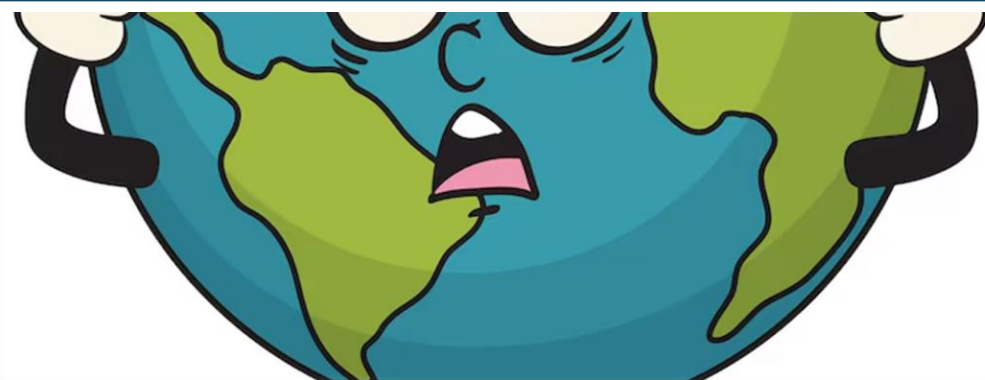
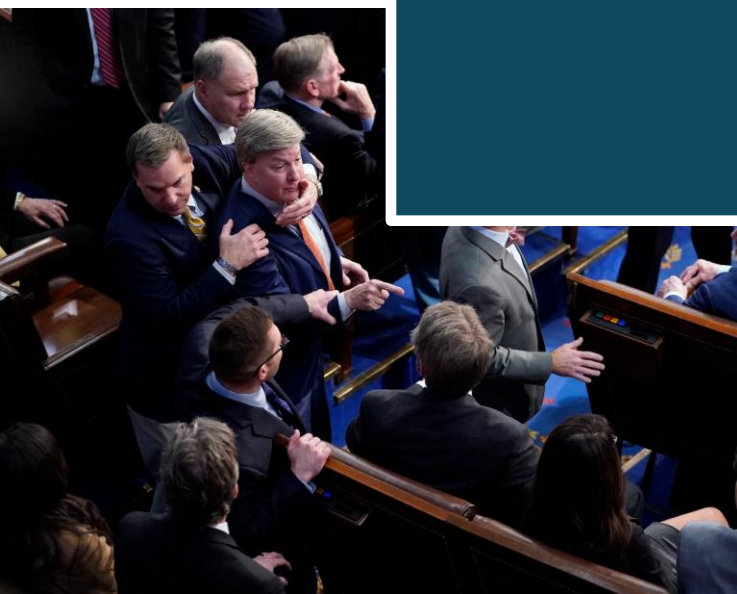
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Humility	Pride

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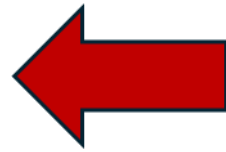
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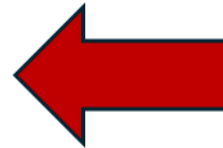
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Yield your anger to the Holy Spirit.