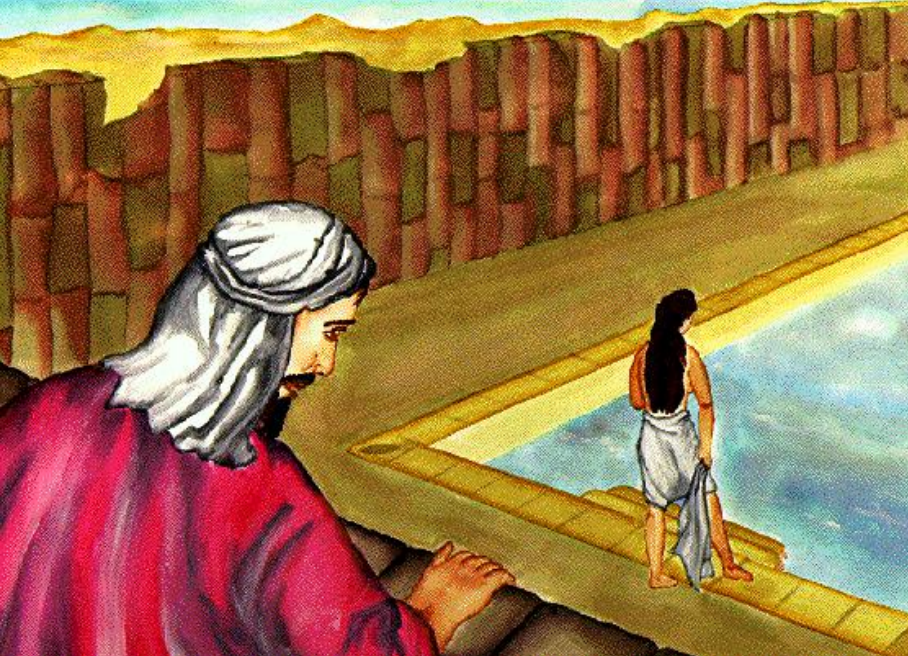




DAVID IS A COMPLEX MAN

- Upright and God-fearing, but also proud and overreacting
- David is consumed with blind rage as he intends to kill Nabal and his family due to an insult
- David's request to Nabal for supplies, though polite, was really a demand
- Avigayil, Nabal's wife, decided to act and try to avoid bloodshed

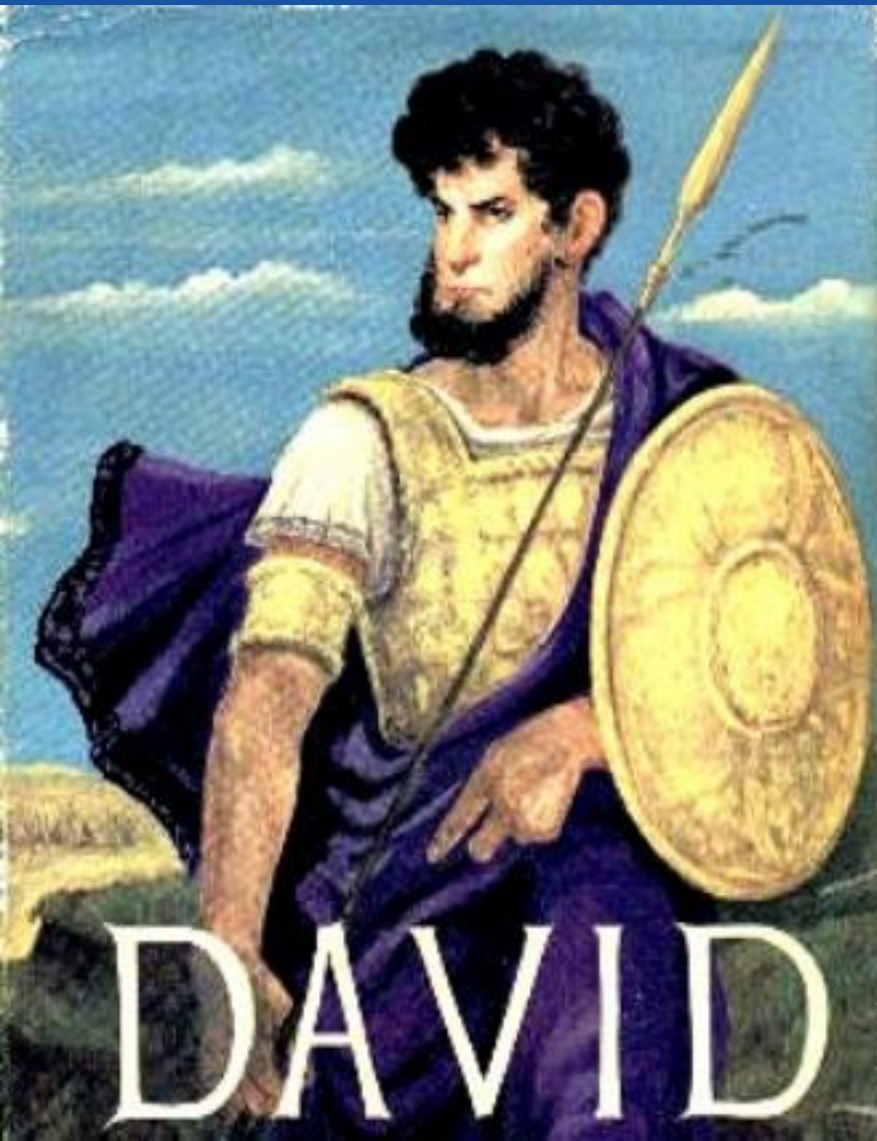




“Right at that moment.....”

- Vs. 20 expresses an amazing coincidence that Avigayil intercepted David
- It was YHWH’s providence that set her path
- Avigayil considered 1 of 7 female prophets
- Sarah, Miriam, Devorah, Hannah, Avigayil, Hulda, Esther

DAVID IS REPLAYING HIS ANGER IN HIS MIND AS HE TRAVELS



- David feels he has been cheated by Nabal
- Vs. 22 has been “cleaned up” by most Bible versions
- David is a strange mix of stalwart Shepherd and ferocious Warrior
- Same mix as our Messiah Yeshua
- Yeshua came first as a Shepherd and a lamb
- When He returns it will be as a Warrior !

AVIGAYIL'S SPEECH

- Abigail was an aristocrat
- She tries to soothe David by offering him 3 lines of reasoning
- 1) It was actually the Lord who brought her to David and prevented David from incurring blood-guilt
- 2) YHWH is the Avenger of Wickedness
- David should not seek his own form of justice

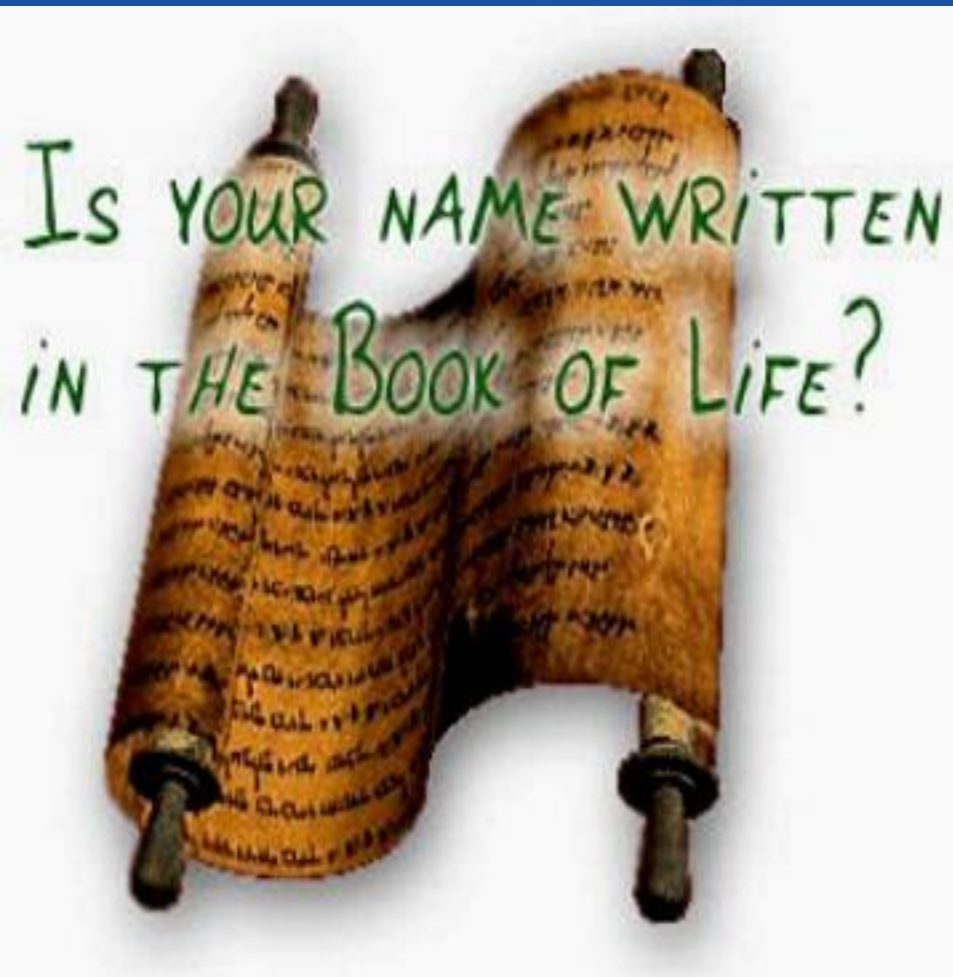


FORGIVENESS WILL BRING A BLESSING FROM THE LORD

- Blessing = *berachah*
- God will establish David's dynasty forever
- David will fight God's Holy Wars
- God will preserve David from wrong-doing
- David's soul will be bound into "the bundle of life"
- Life = *hayyim*
- *Nephesh* = soul, spirit, life essence



THE BUNDLE OF LIFE



- *Bisror hahayyim* = bundle of life
- A Hebrew expression
- Means, the Document of the Living
- Earliest mention of the Heavenly Book of Life
- Rev. 20:12
- Avigayil asks to be forgiven of HER offenses
- She is boldly intervening in her husband's affairs
- Deut. 25:11 - 12

ABIGAIL THE PROPHETESS

- Avigayil looks forward to when David will be on the throne
- ***Nagid*** = king in waiting
- As God's ***nagid***, David is now in constant danger of stumbling
- **Blood guilt** = to take human life unjustly
- There is NO atonement and no forgiveness for blood guilt
- The price is the life of the perpetrator
- Another danger is that David would seek "the Lord's victory" by his own actions

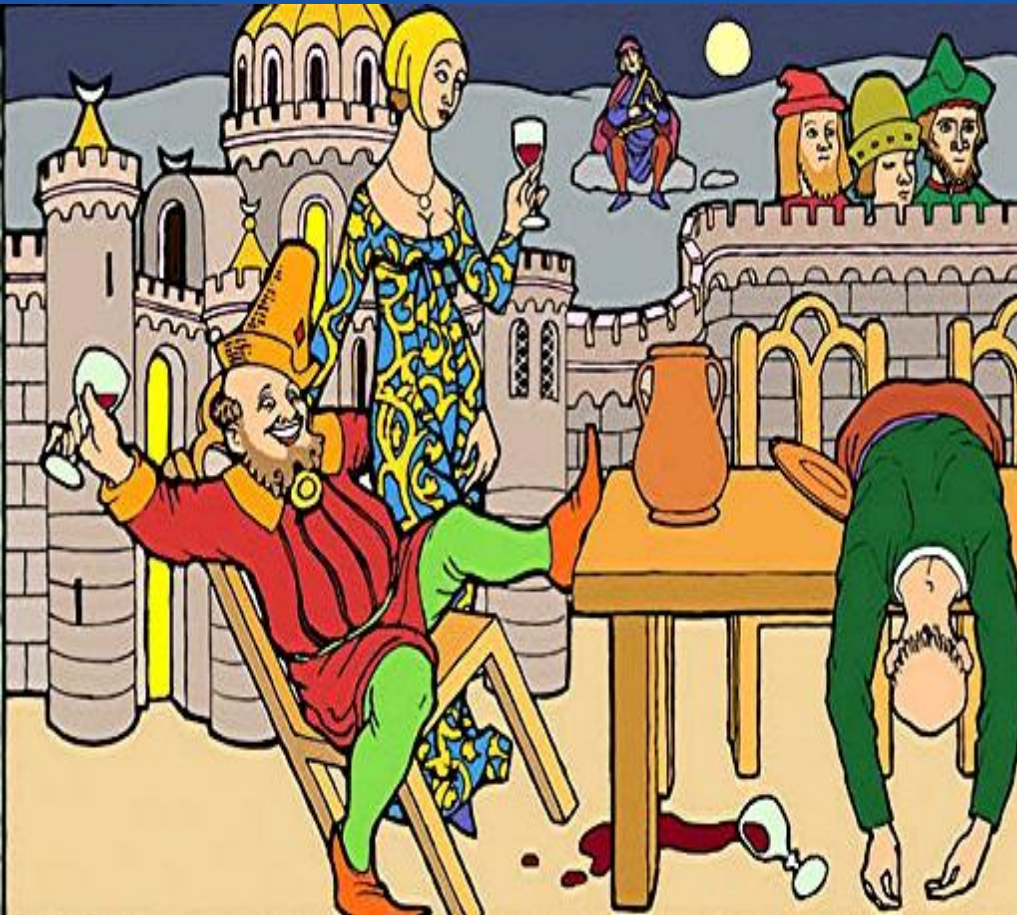


DAVID RESPONDS HUMBLY

- David agrees that Avigayil is correct and he is wrong
- David recognizes that she has saved her family and saved David from himself !
- A contrite heart is the key to true repentance
- David sent her home with the promise he would not harm her family



NABAL DIES IN 10 DAYS



- When Abigail arrives home Nabal is drunk
- The next morning she tells him what transpired and he has a stroke
- 10 days later he is dead
- Dying in 10 days matches the number of men who brought him the message
- 10 = order, perfect completeness, fullness, possibly there is even 10 dimensions
- We are to give 1/10th back to God

“Your servant is here....to wash the feet of my Lord’s servants....”

- Abigail is now the legally betrothed wife of David
- John 13:1 – 20
- This passage in 1st Samuel is difficult if not tied to John 13
- David also married *Ahinoam*
- Politics certainly played a role as David married into 2 prominent clans of Judah
- Michal was given to another man by her father, Saul

