

GRIT + GLORY

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## Course Correction

1 Samuel 25

Discussion Questions

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1. Describe a time (can be either humorous or serious) when you decided (or needed!) to implement a change in your life. What brought about the need for change, and how did it go?
2. Some people like change more than others. Would you say you like change, or is it difficult for you. Why?
3. Consider the following statement: "Following Jesus will mean continual change (sometimes 'tweaks,' sometimes 'overhauls') over the course of our lifetimes." Do you agree or disagree with this? Explain your answer.

*\*\* Read through 1 Samuel 25 together as a group, then answer the following questions.*

4. Look closely at 1 Samuel 25:1-13. What course of action is David on at the end of this section? What has brought him to this point?
5. In 1 Samuel 25:14-31, Abigail responds to the crisis. How does she diffuse the situation? (Among other things, look especially at her tone/posture and the truth she shares with David. What stands out?)
6. In 1 Samuel 25:32-35 David listens to Abigail and changes his course of action. Put yourself in David's shoes in this situation. How might this change of plans have been difficult for David? What does his willingness to change show us about David?
7. Through Abigail, truth, wisdom, and perspective are brought to bear on David's situation and helps him see his need for change. What are practical ways you can actively seek truth and wisdom for your life? Why is this important?
8. Would you describe yourself as a teachable person? Why or why not? What have you learned from 1 Samuel 25 about the value of being teachable?
9. Read Proverbs 15:31-32: How do these verses reinforce the value of being teachable?
10. Identify 1-2 direct take-aways from 1 Samuel 25. How will you apply this to your life?

**Challenge:** Memorize Proverbs 15:31:

"Whoever heeds life-giving correction will be at home among the wise."