

Abigail

1 Samuel 25:1-35

Memory Verse

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid for the Lord your God goes with you.

Deuteronomy 31:6 NIV

I can't wait to tell you a true story from the Bible.

Open the Bible for children to see, then set it down.

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Today's true story from the Bible begins with a woman named Abigail. She was about to do something very special—something that would help a lot of people!

If you're ready to hear about the super thing Abigail did, clap two times with me!

CHILDREN and LEADER: One (CLAP)! Two (CLAP)!

LEADER: Abigail and her husband Nabal had a lot of sheep.

Everybody, say "Baaa," like sheep!

CHILDREN and LEADER: Baaaa!

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LEADER: One day, Nabal's shepherds brought ALL of his sheep to a place where a man named David and his men were.

David and his men were soldiers. David was also a shepherd, so he knew a lot about taking care of sheep.

When David and his men saw all those sheep, they helped protect the sheep and the shepherds so nothing bad would happen to them.

Wow! David and his men helped keep Nabal's sheep safe!

Hold two thumbs up.

Sometime later, Nabal's shepherds were giving all of those floofy sheep haircuts. It was such a fun time! They even had a party!

So David sent a few of his men to ask if they could have some food from the party.

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But Nabal was very mean, and he said, "No! Why should I give you any food?"

Well, now David was upset! David and his men had helped Nabal's men and sheep, and Nabal

did not want to help them!

David wasn't just upset. He was mad! He was angry! And he was going to do something about it.

Now this is where Abigail comes in.

Abigail heard about what happened. She knew that if she didn't do something to help, a lot of people would get hurt. It was time for Abigail to be brave and help!

Abigail quickly grabbed a lot of food and drinks and put them on some donkeys to carry to David and his men. That looks like enough food and drinks.

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When Abigail got to David and his men, she kneeled down and told David the food and drinks were a gift for him and his men. Abigail hoped David would not be angry anymore.

What do you think David did? Do you think David was happy when he saw Abigail with food and drinks, or do you think David was still angry? (LISTEN.) Yes! David was SO happy! David and his men took the food and drinks and told Abigail, Thank God for you and for your help!

Did you hear that? David thanked God for Abigail!

Hooray for Abigail! Abigail was brave and helped a lot of people!

And guess what! We can be brave and help others, too! It's true! YOU can be a Super Kid because God can help you be brave!

Everyone, stand up ... show me a super kid pose ... and tell me in your super kid voice ... who can help you be brave?

CHILDREN and LEADER: God can help me be brave!

LEADER: Yes, God can help me be brave! You can sit back down.

Pick up and close Bible.

<u>Prayer:</u>

Dear God, thank You for the story of Abigail and how she was brave and helped save a lot of people from getting hurt. Please help us be brave and help others, too. You're the best, God, in Jesus' name. Amen.