

A Person After God's Own Heart

4) What To Do With Your Enemy

'But truly, as the LORD lives and as your soul lives, there is but a step between me and death'

(1 Sam.20:3)

***'And everyone who was in distress,
everyone who was in debt, and
everyone who was discontented
gathered to him. So he became captain
over them. And there were about four
hundred men with him'***

(1 Sam.22:2)

***'Come, you children, listen to me; I will
teach you the fear of the LORD'***

(Psa.34:11)

***'For He has not put the world to come,
of which we speak, in subjection to
angels. But one testified in a certain
place, saying: "What is man that You
are mindful of him, or the son of man
that You take care of him? You have
made him a little lower than the angels;
You have crowned him with glory and
honor, and set him over the works of
Your hands. You have put all things in
subjection under his feet..."***

...For in that He put all in subjection under him, He left nothing that is not put under him. But now we do not yet see all things put under him. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone'

(Heb.2:5-10)

'Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!"'

(Rev.11:5)

***'And behold, I am coming quickly, and
My reward is with Me, to give to every
one according to his work'***

(Rev.22:12)

'So David and his men, about six hundred, arose and departed from Keilah and went wherever they could go'
(1 Sam.23:13)

***'Then Jonathan, Saul's son, arose and
went to David in the woods and
strengthened his hand in God'***

(1 Sam.23:16)

'Let the LORD judge between you and me, and let the LORD avenge me on you. But my hand shall not be against you'

(1 Sam.24:12)

'...Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps...who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously...'

(1 Pet.2:21&23)

'Then he said to David: "You are more righteous than I; for you have rewarded me with good, whereas I have rewarded you with evil. And you have shown this day how you have dealt well with me; for when the LORD delivered me into your hand, you did not kill me. For if a man finds his enemy, will he let him get away safely?"

'...Therefore may the LORD reward you with good for what you have done to me this day. And now I know indeed that you shall surely be king, and that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in your hand''

(1 Sam.24:17-20)

***'He who is slow to anger is better
than the mighty, and he who rules
his spirit than he who takes a city'
(Prov.16:32)***

***'...but the life of my lord shall be
bound in the bundle of the living with
the LORD your God; and the lives of
your enemies He shall sling out, as
from the pocket of a sling'
(1 Sam.25:29)***

'So when David heard that Nabal was dead, he said, "Blessed be the LORD, who has pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal, and has kept His servant from evil! For the LORD has returned the wickedness of Nabal on his own head"'

(1 Sam.25:39)

***'David said to Abishai, "Do not destroy him; for who can stretch out his hand against the LORD's anointed, and be guiltless?" David said furthermore, "As the LORD lives, the LORD shall strike him, or his day shall come to die, or he shall go out to battle and perish'
(1 Sam.26:9-10)***

***'You have heard that it was said,
"You shall love your neighbor and
hate your enemy." But I say to you,
love your enemies, bless those who
curse you, do good to those who hate
you, and pray for those who
spitefully use you and persecute
you, that you may be sons of your
Father in heaven; for He makes His
sun rise on the evil and on the good,
and sends rain on the just and on the
unjust'***

(Matt.5:43-46)

***'Beloved, do not avenge yourselves,
but rather give place to wrath; for it is
written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will
repay," says the Lord'***

(Rom.12:19)