

Payback with Honor

Part three of the series, "Made for Greatness: After God's Heart"

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Main Thought:

David excelled at loving God. Because of that, Saul became very jealous. He persecuted and bullied David for a long time. David could've gotten payback on Saul, but David knew that it was better to love God and forgive others and not seek revenge.

Responding to jealousy with payback is like eating a lot of ice cream. It might feel sweet for a moment, but you will feel bad afterward. To walk the higher road with God will always be a better road than revenge.

Main Scriptures:

"As that old proverb says, 'From evil people come evil deeds.' So you can be sure I will never harm you." (1 Samuel 24:13 NLT)

"Since God chose you to be the holy people he loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. ¹³Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. ¹⁴Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony." (Colossians 3:12-14 NLT)

Discussion:

- Share about the most recent time someone has offended you. Taking what you learned from the message, talk about how to handle the situation.

Prayer:

- Pray for one another that we will forgive the people who offended us.
- Pray for one another to love God and others more.