
WOMEN'S RETREAT

OCTOBER 13-15





Schedule

FRIDAY NIGHT

5:30	PM	DINNER/CHECK-IN
7:30	PM	WELCOME/ICE-BREAKERS
8:00	PM	CHAPEL & BREAKOUT SESSIONS
9:00	PM	SNACK

SATURDAY

7:00	AM	CAFE OPEN
8:00	AM	BREAKFAST
8:30	AM	DEVOTIONS
9:30	AM	CHAPEL
11:00	AM	BREAKOUT SESSIONS
11:30	AM	TEA-TIME LUNCH
1:00	PM	FREE-TIME
2:00	PM	CRAFT STATION (DINING HALL)
5:30	PM	DINNER
6:30	PM	CHAPEL
8:15	PM	BREAKOUT SESSION
9:00	PM	SNACK

SUNDAY MORNING

7:00	AM	CAFE OPEN
8:00	AM	BREAKFAST
8:30	AM	DEVOTIONS
9:30	AM	CHAPEL
10:30	AM	BREAKOUT SESSIONS
11:30	AM	PACK & CLEAN



Women of Influence surrounding the Life of David

Chapel #1

Introduction and Michal

1 Samuel 18:1-19:17; 2 Samuel 25:44; 3:6-16; 6:1-

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“Michal was the first, and in some ways, the most interesting, of David’s
wives...” —Adele Berlin

I. Introduction

II. Overview of the life of David

III. Michal

A. As Saul’s daughter, she marries and protects David — 1Sam 18:1-19:17

Truth: Love protects and defends even at personal risk.

Truth: Loving others well cooperates with God's eternal purposes.

B. As David's wife, she ridicules him — II Sam 6:1-23

Truth: Our words have the power to help or harm.

David's Family

In Hebron

1. Michal (Saul's Daughter)

2. Ahinoam

3. Abigail (Nabal's Widow)

4. Maacah (Daughter of King Geshur)

1. Amnon

2. Chileab (Daniel)

3. Absalom

Tamar (David's Only
named daughter)

4. Adonijah

5. Shephatiah

6. Ithream

5. Haggith

6. Abital

7. Eglah



Boaz

Obed

Jesse

DAVID

Cf 2 Sam 3:2–5;

1 Chr 3:1–9;

Ruth

8. Bathsheba (Uriah's Wife)
(Bathshua)

In Jerusalem

9. Other wives and
concubines

7. Shammuah
(Shimeah)

8. Shobab

9. Nathan

10. Solomon

11. Ibhar

12. Elishua (Elishama)

13. Eliphelet (Elpelet)

14. Nogah

15. Nepheg

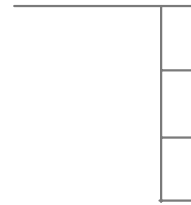
16. Japhia

17. Elishama

18. Eliada

19. Eliphelet

20. Other





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Chapel #2

Abigail

I Samuel 25:1-44

“Those of us who know God, who are called into a relationship with him, who want to live our lives according to his Word, are called to find our voice and to have those hard-to-have conversations in such a way to resolve conflicts in a healthy manner.” — Elisa Morgan

I. Main Characters:

David

Nabal

Abigail

II. The Story

III. The Lessons:

1. Conflicts are inevitable

2. Conflicts can be opportunities to honor God

What do you if you're facing a conflict?

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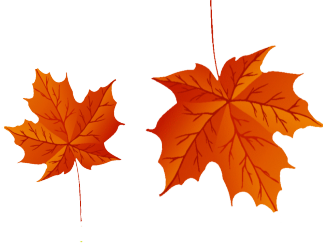
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Application:



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Chapel #3

Bathsheba

2 Samuel 11:1-12:25; I Kings 1:1-53

Into the late afternoon sun steps Bathsheba, ready to purify herself ... an age-old ritual for all Israelite women in their childbearing years, Bathsheba takes an extra minute, for there is no rush. Her husband Uriah, a general in David's army, is off fighting ... so she is alone. Or so it seems—Lindsay Hardin Freeman

I. Bathsheba's Bath

2 Samuel 11:1-12:25

Truth: Sins against us are not the end of the story in the plans of God.

II. Bathsheba's Request

I Kings 1:1-53

Truth: God's purposes may require us to speak up in difficult circumstances.

Truth: It's not what happens to us but how we respond that makes us women of influence.



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Chapel #4

Abishag

I Kings 1:1-4

“Laundry, liturgy and women’s work all serve to ground us in the world, and they need not grind us down. Our daily tasks, whether we perceive them as drudgery or essential, life-supporting work, do not define who we are as women or as human beings. But they have a considerable spiritual import, and their significance for Christian theology, the way they come together in the fabric of faith, is not often appreciated.” —Kathleen Norris

I. Introduction

II. Abishag: “The Ministry of the Unnoticed” and seemingly insignificant

Truth: God has a purpose for each of our lives. Yet, we can lose sight of the big picture when we’re looking down at the ordinary.

III. Patsy's story and the Nicene Creed



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Discussion #1

Introduction and Michal

1. Today, what woman has the most influence on your life and why?

 2. “Love protects and defends” How have you seen God use others to love and protect you? Who are you loving right now in this way?

 3. Jesus said, “For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks.” (Matthew 12:34b)
 - Our words matter. They reveal what’s in our hearts.
 - Our words have the power to help or harm.
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1. What are ways we can examine our words and their impact on others?

2. “Pleasant words are a honeycomb, sweet to the soul and healing to the bones.” (Proverbs 16:24). Will you pray for “pleasant words” to be your love language?



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Discussion #2

Abigail I Samuel 25



1. How do you respond when you need to have a difficult conversation with someone? And how do you respond when you are confronted by someone?ⁱ
2. Describe a time when someone had a “hard-to-have” conversation with you or a time when you initiated a “hard-to-have” conversation with someone else. How did it turn out?ⁱⁱ
3. What practical ideas from Abigail will help you with your next difficult conversation?
4. Is there a difficult conversation ahead for you? Would like this group

to pray for you?

i Elisa Morgan, *Twelve Women of the Bible*, page 63.

ii Morgan 63.



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Discussion #3

Bathsheba

1. “After only one night with the King, Bathsheba discovers she is pregnant”. David begins a series of “cover-ups” that result in murder and death. What might have been the outcome had he acted more wisely? Have you been in a situation that you thought would be improved by lying?ⁱ How did that turn out for you?

2. God defines us, not our circumstances. According to Webster’s Dictionary, to be victimized means that you are acted upon adversely by a force or an agent. Examples of a force could be: cancer, a car crash or a financial setback. Examples of an agent would be oppression or mistreatment by a parent, boss, or even a coach. Victimization could also occur when you are rejected or betrayed by some- one you trusted.ⁱⁱ

Do you think Bathsheba was a victim? Why or why not?



3. When the curtain closes at the end of your life, in God's perspective, it doesn't matter what you were, or what has been done to you, but who you have become!ⁱⁱⁱ

Do you agree with that statement? How does it describe Bathsheba's life? What about your life?

i www.thewivesofkingdavid.com

ii <http://mwcwbstudy.blogspot.com> iii

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Discussion #4

Abishag

11. Abishag has a “Ministry of the Unnoticed” in King David’s court. Can you relate to her? Have you ever felt that what you do is insignificant or ordinary? What helps do we have as Christians to know our identity and purpose?

2. Mother Teresa has said, “In a world that yearns for heroes ... true saints who live the Gospel authentically and honestly ... each of us is called to be ‘Jesus with skin on.’”ⁱ

Although Abishag’s ministry may have seemed insignificant, what do you imagine David’s thoughts of her? How can we be ‘Jesus with skin on’ to others? Where might God be calling you to a “Ministry of the Unnoticed?”

3. Review our Four Women of Influence: Michal, Abigail, Bathsheba,

Abishag Which woman stands out to you and why?

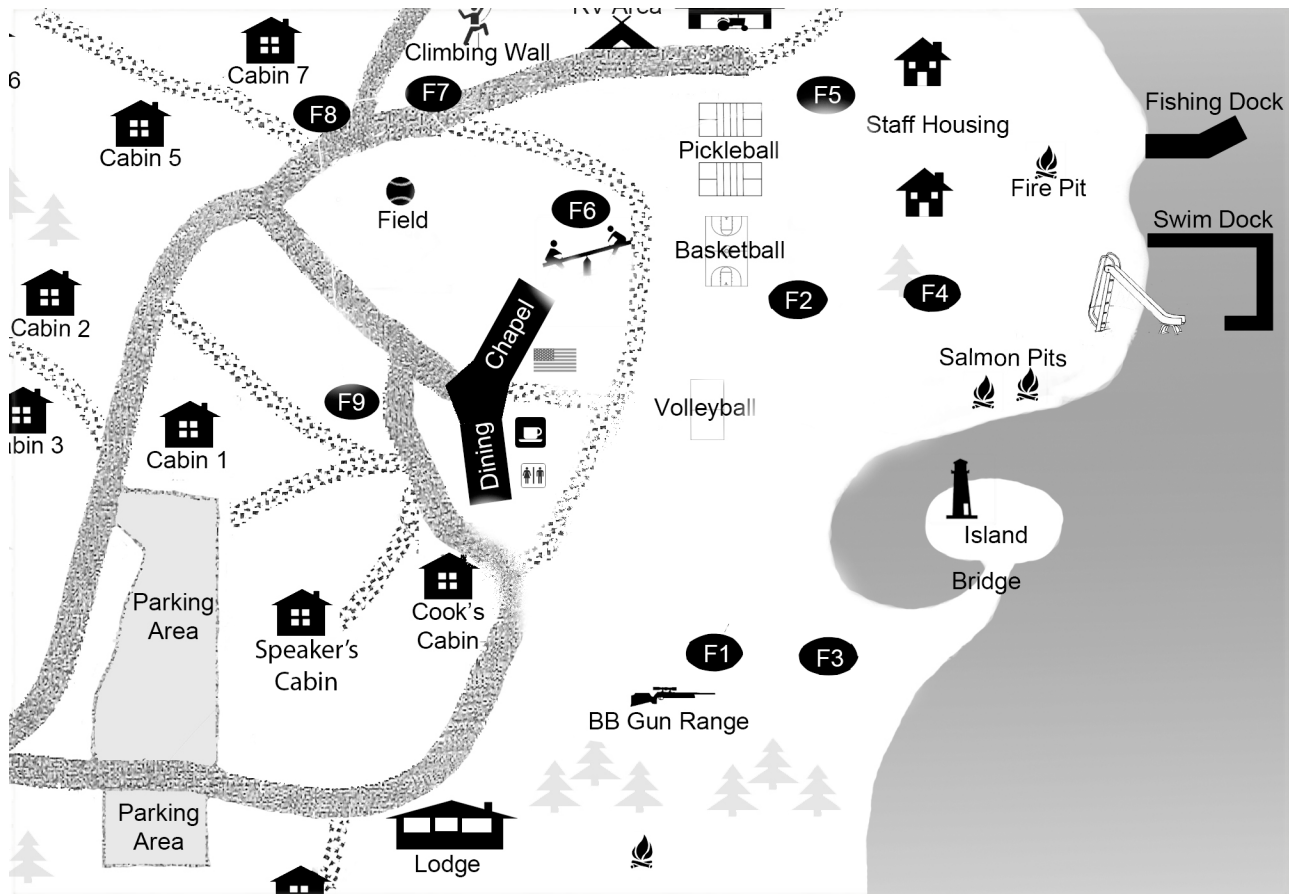
What new commitment to live a life of influence for good do you want to make as you leave this retreat?

May God bless you abundantly as you live for Him: a life of Influence!

i www.regnumchristi.org



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