

## **“Better Than Revenge”**

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### ***Introduction:***

- A. Our natural inclination when someone \_\_\_\_\_ us is to try to get \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ them back.
- B. The people of God do not \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. If there ever was someone who had a \_\_\_\_\_ to take vengeance into his own hands, it was \_\_\_\_\_.

### ***I. The Story***

- A. The name En Gedi means “\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_”
- B. One of the greatest tests of character comes at moments like these, when our \_\_\_\_\_ is in a most \_\_\_\_\_ situation.
- C. So, what did David do? He cut off the \_\_\_\_\_ of Saul’s \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. In Saul’s rational moments, he know the truth—that David is not a \_\_\_\_\_, and that David is righteous, and will be the next \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. \_\_\_\_\_ chapters later we see that Saul is once again in \_\_\_\_\_ of David.
- F. In the second story, instead of taking Saul’s life, David took his \_\_\_\_\_ and his \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. Saul was again cut to the heart and said, “I have \_\_\_\_\_.”
- H. This was the last \_\_\_\_\_ between King Saul and David.

### ***II. The Application***

- A. We should expect that we are going to be \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. We should anticipate feelings of wanting to get \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. We should leave the \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

Answer Key: Intro.: A. hurts, revenge, hurting. B. retaliate. C. right, David. I.A. spring, goat. I.B. enemy, vulnerable. I.C. corner, robe. I.D. usurper, king. I.E. Two, pursuit. I.F. spear, water, jug. I.G. sinned. I.H. encounter. II.A. mistreated. II.B. revenge. II.C. matter, hands.