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In 2 Samuel 10 we have the story of:

Loss

Loyalty

Sympathy expressed

Suspicion aroused

Contempt nurtured

Humiliation

Retaliation

Escalation

Subjugation

Tension

“These are the men and women with whom God works. They turn out to be no better or worse than the people with whom he works still, the very ones we face in the mirror every morning and rub shoulders with every day.”

- Eugene H. Peterson
First and Second Samuel

“The bitter soul will compile a list of slights at which it takes offense and will watch over itself like a mother bear over her cubs. And the figure is apt, for the resentful heart is always surly and suspicious like a she-bear.”

- A. W. Tozer
Of God and Men

“Anxiety is only the context for sin, not its cause. Our base problem is unbelief. Failing to trust the infinite God, we live anxiously, restlessly, always trying to secure and extend ourselves with finite goods that can’t take the weight we put on them.”

- Cornelius Plantinga
Not The Way It's Supposed to Be

“Believing in universal moral truths can be used to oppress others. But what if that absolute truth is a man who died for his enemies, who did not respond in violence with violence but forgave them?”

- Tim Keller

“For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.”

-Romans 5:7-8