

# 1 Samuel 30:29

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And to them which were in Rachal, and to them which were in the cities of the Jerahmeelites, and to them which were in the cities of the Kenites,

## Analysis

Rachal, the cities of the Jerahmeelites, and the cities of the Kenites receive gifts, extending David's reach to tribal groups allied with Judah. The Jerahmeelites, descendants of Jerahmeel son of Hezron (1 Chronicles 2:9), were a Judean clan. The Kenites, descendants of Jethro's family, had allied with Israel since Moses' time. David's gifts strengthen ties with these associated peoples who would later support his kingship.

## Historical Context

The Kenites' connection to Moses' family (Judges 1:16) gave them special status in Israel. David's earlier lie to Achish (27:10) claimed to be raiding these groups; his gifts now prove his true loyalty was always with Judah's allies.

## Related Passages

**Romans 10:9** — Confession and belief for salvation

**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

## Study Questions

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1. How do you maintain relationships with varied groups who share common interests?
2. What does David's treatment of allied peoples teach about inclusive leadership?

## Interlinear Text

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And to them which were in Rachal

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and to them which were in the cities

of the Jerahmeelites

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and to them which were in the cities

of the Kenites

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## Additional Cross-References

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**1 Samuel 27:10** (Parallel theme): And Achish said, Whither have ye made a road to day? And David said, Against the south of Judah, and against the south of the Jerahmeelites, and against the south of the Kenites.

**Judges 1:16** (Parallel theme): And the children of the Kenite, Moses' father in law, went up out of the city of palm trees with the children of Judah into the wilderness of Judah, which lieth in the south of Arad; and they went and dwelt among the people.