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Assembly Times

Sundays
Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Wednesdays
Bible Classes 7:00 p.m.

Retaining The Standard
Of Sound Doctrine

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- Know Your Bible: Answers
1. Rahab (Johshua 2:15–19)

2. Peter (Acts 12:6–7)

3. Tamar (Genesis 38:28)

4. Pharoah (Genesis 41:42)

5. Samson (Judges 16:6–9)

6. Paul (Acts 28:20)

This Week's Assignments & Events			
Sunday Worship		Sunday Afternoons	
Greeter:	Ronnie Lighttfoot	Oct 12	Nothing
Announcements:	Kevin Buckner		
Encouragement Talk:	John Franks	Oct 19	3PM Devotionals
Opening Prayer:	Kyle Crain		
Scripture Reading:	Gary Tuttle	Oct 26	3PM Classroom Quarter Change
	Luke 13:1–9		
Song Leader:	Billy Lovell		
Table Talk:	Arturo Orozco	Nov 2	Nothing
Contribution:	Sandon Spyker		
Helper:	Gobi Warner		
Fruit of Vine:	John Van Baale		
Helper:	Leighton Daniels		
Helper:	Eddie Bowen		
Closing Prayer:	Josh Emerson		
		Wednesday Evening	
		Song Leader:	Kevin Buckner
		Speaker:	John Van Baale



Standing Firm

“Take up the full armor of God, that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm”
Ephesians 6:13

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Lessons From Proverbs (#2)

“He who is slow to anger had great understanding, but he who is quick-tempered exalts folly” (Proverbs 14:29)

It doesn’t take much to send many people into fits- just let the grocery line move too slow, or someone forget to signal before turning. Anger is not anything new but it is a problem many people must manage. Those who have learned to be slow to anger have great understanding. Those who allow themselves to go off like a powder keg at a moment’s notice demonstrate and praise folly. In other words, they haven’t learned anything about controlling their emotions. Proverbs 14:17 says *“a quick-tempered man acts foolishly”* which I believe means in man’s sight and God’s.

“The churning of milk produces butter, and pressing the nose brings forth blood; so the churning of anger produces strife” (30:33). If allowed to remain in our hear, anger will eventually rise to a boil. It churns, bubbles and froths till it can’t help but spill out. That anger (which is often uncalled for) produces strife with others. *“A hot tempered man stirs up strife, but the slow to anger pacifies contention”* (15:18). My anger may rage in my heart and when I share that anger with another I am stirring up trouble between us. Anger has a way of blinding us to the reality of situations. We “read into” phrases and gestures things that are never meant. Anger produces in us a suspicious heart and a quick voice to condemn someone else. *“A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger”* (15:1). The word spoken in anger tends to create anger in the other person’s heart. Anger is contagious!

Therefore we need to heed the other side of these verses and be “slow to anger” and give “gentle answers” in order to remain at peace with a friend and/or brother. The contention that might arise between two people can be diffused by the one who keeps his head and answers gently to what the other person says. To retaliate against anger

with anger cannot result in anything my “wrath”. If we would prevent wrath from developing we must be “slow to anger”! *“He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit, than he who captures a city”* (16:32). This verse targets the true problem - ruling our spirit. We cannot let our emotions rage and rule, our mind must retain control in all situations. When we control our anger we are strong and can accomplish many positive things in relationships. We are better than the fierce soldier who can capture a city single-handed. It is difficult, but when we master our emotions we will see a definite good result from being in control! *“A fool always loses his temper, but a wise man holds it back”* (29:11).

Most of us have friends who have problems with anger. We know to steer clear at times and give them room to “vent”. If we get in their path it is likely the anger will be turned on us. What we need to learn is that those relationships can be dangerous. *“Do not associate with a man given to anger; or go with a hot-tempered man, lest you learn his ways, and find a snare for yourself”* (22:24–25). This is the same concept as found in 1 Corinthians 15:33, *“bad company corrupts good morals.”* If our friend is one who is prone to anger, we need to be very careful we don’t become infected with his problem. Anger IS contagious. Solomon’s reasoning said don’t associate with him. Find another friend who is not dealing with this lack of control. We can avoid a snare for ourselves. This is true wisdom.

“A man’s discretion makes him slow to anger, and it is his glory to overlook a transgression” (19:11). Our discretion in considering others makes us behave wisely in containing our anger. When we are bale to control our anger, even when wronged - it becomes a glory to us. Let us all work diligently to apply the wisdom of these words.

by Charles Willis

***Know
Your
Bible***

Ropes & Chains

1. Who dropped a scarlet cord from her window to aid the Israelite spies?
2. Which apostle had his chains removed by an angel?
3. Who had twins and the firstborn was given a scarlet thread by the midwife?
4. Who put a gold chain around Joseph’s neck?
5. What judge was bound by t he Philistines with cords?
6. Who arrived in Rome bound by a chain?

Answers On Back

Sunday Sermon

Point your phone camera at the square below, then click on the link to hear the sermon. Recordings will change mid-week.



Praying For Others

“First of all, then, I urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, 2 for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity” (1 Timothy 2:1–2)

“But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you” (Matthew 5:44).

“Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much” (James 5:16).

“With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints” (Ephesians 6:18).

Some Examples

Daniel prayed for the nation of Israel (Daniel 9:3–19)

Stephen prayed for those who stoned him (Acts 7:60)

The church prayed for Peter who was in prison (Acts 12:5)

Paul prayed for his nation that they would be saved (Romans 10:1)

Paul prayed for Christians in various places
(Ephesians 1:16; Colossians 1:9–12; 2 Thessalonians 1:11–12)

Jesus prayed for His Apostles (Luke 17)

Jesus prayed for those who crucified Him (Luke 23:34)

Are you following this Biblical teaching and pattern?

Are you praying for others?