

Silver Creek Fellowship NOTES

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Smoke From A Fire

ANGER

Ephesians 4:24–32

24 and to put on the new man, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

25 Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. 26 Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and give no opportunity to the devil. 28 Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. 29 Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. 32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

1. **A Confusing Command: “Be angry _____”**
(vs. 26)

Mark 3:5

“And he looked around at them with anger, grieved at their hardness of heart”

“It is true that he that is angry without cause sins, but he who is not angry when there is cause also sins (and perhaps to an even greater degree).” -John Chrysostom

Life point: Our anger becomes problematic because our loves are out of order; and, we deal with disordered anger by addressing the disordered loves that fuels it.

2. **Paul’s Answer to (Unrighteous) Anger: _____** (vs. 24, 31–32)

Thing to remember: We recognize that we are first sinners _____

Romans 12:17-21

17 Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. 18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. 19 Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." 20 To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

3. **How to be Angry Like Jesus** (vv. 26–31)

- a. **Loving anger is redemptive,** _____
(vs. 29)
- b. **Loving anger is** _____
(vs. 26)
- c. **Loving anger is** _____ (vs. 31)

Prov 16:32

He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty

Prov 29:22

An angry person stirs up conflict, and a hot-tempered person commits many sins.

James 1:20

Be slow to anger... for the anger of man does not work the righteousness of God.

Prov 15:1

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

Prov 19:11

"It is to one's glory to overlook an offense."