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CELEBRATION NOTES:



PART TWO CRITICAL PEOPLE "To avoid criticism, do nothing, say nothing, be nothing." - Aristotle HOW DO YOU RESPOND TO CRITICAL PEOPLE?

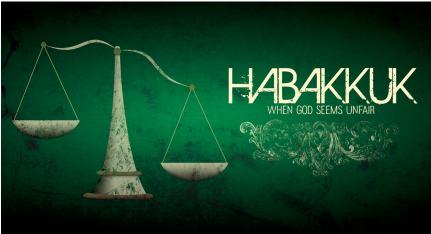
• OFTEN, YOU <u>DON'T</u> RESPOND. When they <u>hurled their insults at him</u> [Jesus], <u>he did not</u> <u>retaliate</u>; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, <u>he entrusted himself to him</u> who judges justly. 1 Peter 2:23

A person's wisdom yields patience; it is to one's glory to overlook an offense. Proverbs 19:11

•_ SOMETIMES, YOU <u>RESPOND</u> CAREFULLY. Now the Ephraimites asked Gideon, "Why have you treated us like this? Why didn't you call us when you went to fight Midian?" And they <u>challenged him</u> <u>vigorously</u>. ² <u>But he answered them</u> ... Judges 8:1-2 ... When the men of Ephraim <u>heard Gideon's answer</u>, their anger subsided. Judges 8:3

• OCCASIONALLY, YOU <u>LISTEN</u> AND MAKE A <u>CHANGE</u>.

If you <u>listen to constructive criticism</u>, you will be <u>at home</u> <u>among the wise</u>. ³² <i>If you reject discipline, <u>you only harm</u> <u>yourself</u> ... Proverbs 15:31-32 • ALWAYS WORK TO <u>GUARD</u> YOUR <u>HEART</u>. Some people make <u>cutting remarks</u>, but <u>the words of the</u> <u>wise bring healing</u>. Proverbs 12:18 NLT **THIS WEEK'S BIBLE STUDY:**



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