

# PURSUING GODLINESS PART TWO: RIGHTEOUS ANGER

**Ephesians 4:26-27** 

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You have no business being angry at anything for which God is pleased, nor be pleased at that for which God is angry. Take a firm hold on Christ and stand with fixed determination against sin.

For see what earnestness this godly grief has produced in you, but also what eagerness to clear yourselves, what indignation, what fear, what longing, what zeal, what punishment! At every point you have proved yourselves innocent in the matter. ~ 2 Corinthians 7:11

# 2. \_\_\_\_\_ of Anger

Before the close of day, end your anger and let the mercy of Christ lead you. There is not one drop of virtue in maintaining a disposition of perpetual anger.

...bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ~ Colossians 3:13

# 3. \_\_\_\_\_ of Anger

To remain in a state of anger is to open up an opportunity for the enemy of God to gain influence. He is the slanderer, and your unwillingness to forgive is just the ticket he will use to unleash greater harm.

Anyone whom you forgive, I also forgive.... so that we would not be outwitted by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his designs.  $\sim 2$  Corinthians 2:10-11

## **JAMES 2:13**

FOR JUDGMENT IS WITHOUT MERCY TO ONE WHO HAS SHOWN NO MERCY.

MERCY TRIUMPHS OVER JUDGMENT.



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## **Additional Scripture References**

(And Rabbit Trails Bible Study)

#### Psalm 4:4

Be angry, and do not sin; ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.

#### Luke 15:28

But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him.

#### Psalm 119:53

Hot indignation seizes me because of the wicked, who forsake your law.

## Micah 7:9

I will bear the indignation of the Lord because I have sinned against him, until he pleads my cause and executes judgment for me. He will bring me out to the light; I shall look upon his vindication.

## 1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

#### Matthew 18:21-22

Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times."

#### **James 4:7**

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

### 1 John 3:10

By this it is evident who are the children of God, and who are the children of the devil: whoever does not practice righteousness is not of God, nor is the one who does not love his brother.

#### Revelation 12:10

And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God."