

Group Study Guide November 19-20, 2022 *Quick & Slow* Russ Brasher

MESSAGE NOTES:

James 1:19-21

¹⁹ My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, ²⁰ because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. ²¹ Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

STUDY GUIDE:

STEP ONE: Read James 1:19-21 and pray to open your time together in God's word.

STEP TWO: (*Optional*) **Icebreaker:** As we get ready to celebrate Thanksgiving, in your opinion, share what is your favorite and least favorite side dish most associated with this day.

STEP THREE: Discuss Questions

- 1. What stood out to you the most in this weekend's teaching? What was challenging, encouraging, or confusing to you?
- 2. When it comes to how you approach God's Word, which of the three things listed in verse 19 is the hardest for you? Give an example if possible.
- 3. Continuing to look at verse 19, when it comes to our relationships with others, which of the three things listed is the hardest for you? Give an example if possible.
- 4. Looking at verse 20, what would you say is the difference between human anger and righteous (Godly) anger? Why is it important to be able to identify between the two?
- 5. Which of the following places do you find yourself being most tempted to express human anger the most and in what specific way Family, Church, Workplace, Friends, or Society?
- 6. Reflecting on verse 21, in what ways have you personally seen sin rob you of humbly accepting God's word?
- 7. Read Matthew 13:1-23 (Parable of Four Soils) and discuss ways this scripture relates to what James is talking about in our text today.