



The Reactions That Lead To Right Standing With God

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James 1:19–21 (NIV) — 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.

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BE QUICK TO LISTEN = *This Is Active Listening >>>
Sitting Up To Pay Attention*

“Consider carefully **WHAT** you hear”

“Consider carefully **HOW** you hear”

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BE SLOW TO SPEAK = A Humble Patience That Can Be Seen In A Deliberate Time Of Pause And Reflection Before Speaking

Proverbs 13:3 (NLT) — **3** Those who control their tongue will have a long life; opening your mouth can ruin everything.

Proverbs 29:20 (NLT) — **20** There is more hope for a fool than for someone who speaks without thinking.

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SLOW TO BECOME ANGRY = Anger Should Be
“Shut Off” From Our Responses

Anger Flows Out Of “I” Trouble:

An Ego That Is Bruised

An Opinion That Is Not Heeded

A Disappointment In Others

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Q. *What's The Problem With The Angry Reaction?*

A. *Man's Anger Does Not Bring Right Standing w/God*

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Anger Is Inconsistent W/ Christ's Teaching

- Anger Hinders Our Prayers
- Anger Gives The Devil A Foothold
- Anger Is Out Of Control And Leads To Other Sins.

Anger Emanates From A Seed Of Distrust In God

- To Hang On To Anger Is A Matter Of Distrust Saying "God Won't Take Care Of This"

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We Must Rid Ourselves Of The Ingredients Of Man's Anger

- **Get Rid Of Moral Filth**
- **Get Rid Of Evil**

- 1. These Things Defile Our Souls***
- 2. These Things Are Blights To Our Life***
- 3. These Lead To Our Anger***

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**When You Humbly Accept The Word Planted In You It
Will Save You**

To Accept = *To Make It Mine*

We Must Accept The Word Humbly

*The Humble Spirit Is ... A Teachable Spirit Is Without
Anger And One That Is Able To Face The Truth, Even
When It Hurts And Condemns. **Wm. Barclay***

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- ***Humility Is The Very Essence of Christ's Earthly Work***
- ***It Is A Choice To Be Christ Like***
- ***It Can Save Us***

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How Do We Accept The Word?

- 1. We Accept It With A Heart That Is Ready To Receive It.***
- 2. We Accept It With A Heart That Is Responsive To Truth***
- 3. We Accept With A Heart That Is Willing To Repent***