

# Welcome!

SERIES: SOUL REPAIR Today's Message: An Antidote for Anger Dr. Lance D. Watson, Senior Pastor

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**PRAYER:** Gracious God, we come to you with souls in disrepair. The experiences that we've had have taken their toll on us and we bear the marks within us. We smile on the outside while we struggle on the inside. Now we come to you, transparent and candid, asking you to revive our hope and cause us to look forward again. Repair our broken spirit, in the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

**ICEBREAKER:** Recall something that made you angry? How did you respond? How did you resolve it or did you?

**INTRODUCTION:** Anger takes on many forms: there's the silent treatment, the death stare, the yelluntil-you're-red-in-the face. Sometimes anger is even justified. But how you express it and where you direct it can save you from moments you'll later regret. God has an antidote for our anger.

SCRIPTURE: Read Proverbs 14:29

### **DISCUSSION:**

- 1. What stood out in today's message? Has your experience during this pandemic made you angry? About what did you get angry? What makes you angry right now? Out of these anger levels, which level do you often fall into—annoyance, frustration, hostility, enraged?
- 2. How would you describe your response to anger? Are you an eruptor or a stuffer? According to scripture, at what point does being angry turn into sin? What can we do according to Pastor Watson to make anger our ally rather than our adversary?
- 3. In John 2:13-22, Jesus is angry at how the temple has been turned into a market. This is called righteous anger. What unholy, unrighteous things make you angry? How can you use that type of anger to make a difference?
- 4. How tame is your temper? Are you able to consider the results of your anger when you feel angry? How well do you think before acting when you're upset? What are ways that you can replenish and fill up your tank this week?
- 5. Read Romans 5:8. How do understanding God's love and forgiveness help us find freedom? Are you withholding forgiveness from anyone in your life? How can you return that bitterness/anger to God?

**CHALLENGE:** Pray about what you need to work on to grow in your capacity to tame your temper. Let God help you.



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**SERVE: Pray** over Proverbs and Proverbs 14:29 and 16:32 this week. **Praise** God for giving you the power to transform your anger into positive and redemptive action. **Listen**: when you are quiet before God, it is amazing how clear things become. **Respond**. Write it down, live it out, give God praise!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Take this time to share group announcements. Church wide and campus specific announcements can be found at <u>www.myspbc.org</u>. You can also *"find, follow and like"* our Facebook page at <u>facebook.com/myspbc</u>. Turn on your notifications.

**CELEBRATIONS:** Take this time to share praise reports (e.g. answered prayers, birthdays, anniversaries, promotions).

**PRAYER REQUESTS & PRAYER:** Take this time to share prayer requests. Close with prayer.





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CALL: 804.463.2472 EMAIL: prayer@myspbc.org.

### FOR COUNSELING:

CALL: 804.643.6177 EMAIL: <u>Barnabas@myspbc.org</u>

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CALL: 804 204 2800 (Pactor On Call)

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CALL: 804.304.3890 (Pastor On Call) EMAIL: <u>ecare@myspbc.org</u>.

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