

## ANGER IS A DANGEROUS THING

Intro: Anger does not achieve the righteousness of God - Jas 1:19,20 - what is anger and why is it so dangerous?

### I) Definitions

- A) Anger - ORGE - natural impulse, came to mean anger because anger was considered to be the strongest emotion
- B) Wrath - THUMOS - passion, came from sacrifice, stronger than (A)

### II) Is anger wrong?

- A) God was angry - Num 25:3 - at idolatry - Jesus was angry - Mk 3:5 - at hardness of heart
- B) Our anger needs to be only righteous anger - Eph 4:26,27 - and we must not let it out of control - Prov 16:32
- C) Anger should be put away - Eph 4:31; Col 3:8 - as part of the new man - Prov 29:8,11 - it hinders prayers - 1 Tim 2:8

### III) Wrath destroys the church

- A) Wrath comes from walking by the flesh - Gal 5:15-20; 2 Cor 12:20
- B) Except for the wrath of God, it always is spoken of negatively - Lk 4:28; Ac 12:20; 19:28 - usually to the point of desire to kill

Concl: If we stop short of condemning all anger, it must be momentary, controlled and because of those who reject God and not because of personal offenses