

"Make no friendship with an angry man"

PROVERBS 22 VERSES 24 & 25

Make no friendship with an angry man; and with a furious man thou shalt not go: 25 Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul.

PROVERBS 14 VERSES 17

He that is soon angry dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.

WHAT IT MEANS TO OUR FAMILY

Daughters, it is my sincerest desire that you would take these verses to heart. You will only be disappointed and hurt by making friends with angry men. Emotions are not bad, and even anger can be righteous, but a man who is often angry, is a dangerous person. Your heavenly Father as well as your earthly father, wishes that you would never choose such a man as a partner, a boyfriend, a husband or even as a friend. Watch carefully how men behave, so that you can know what they are really like. Angry men cannot hide their anger for long, and it will come out, sometimes in subtle ways. Are they cruel to certain people, do they become angry at odd times, are there certain words, events or people who cause them to become strongly agitated? When they are angry, are you frightened by their behavior? Do they hit you? If so, seek wisdom from God, and seek shelter for yourself. Desire to know a righteous man instead, one who exhibits the fruits of the spirit, not the wickedness of the flesh. These angry men will abuse you and cause you harm. Heed the wisdom given in the Book of wisdom; do not be friends with these men.

Are you angry? If so, is it righteous anger or is it anger from the flesh? We all become angry at times, but we must avoid becoming an angry person. An angry person is persistently angry, is easy to anger and uses anger as a way of life. Angry people forget to seek the Lord when they are provoked and end up suffering themselves. When you are angry, be careful that you do not behave foolishly. When you are angry and cannot help but be so, seek solace from God and avoid situations where you may strike out foolishly or do foolish and dangerous things.

Relevant Passages

Psalm 37:8

Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.

Psalm 103:8

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

Proverbs 14:29

He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.

Proverbs 19:11-12

The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression. 12 The king's wrath is as the roaring of a lion; but his favour is as dew upon the grass.

Ephesians 4:26

Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

Ecclesiastes 7:9

Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools.

Romans 12:19

Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

Ephesians 4:31-32

Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: 32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

James 1:19-20

Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: 20 For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.