



Anger

What kind of person is easily angered?

Prov 12:16 A fool's wrath is known at once, But a prudent man covers shame.

Prov 14:16,17 A wise man fears and departs from evil, but a fool rages and is self-confident. He who is quick-tempered acts foolishly, and a man of wicked intentions is hated.

Eccles 7:9 Do not hasten in your spirit to be angry, for anger rests in the bosom of fools.

God's Word describes the person who is easily angered as a fool.

Does anger affect the angry person?

Prov 22:24-25 Make no friendship with an angry man, and with a furious man do not go, (25) lest you learn his ways and set a snare for your soul.

Anger affects the angry person negatively by setting a snare for their soul.

What kind of person isn't easily angered?

Prov 14:29 He who is slow to wrath has great understanding, but he who is impulsive exalts folly.

A person who is slow to anger has great understanding.

Prov 16:32 He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city.

A person who is slow to anger is better than the mighty.

Prov 19:11 The discretion of a man makes him slow to anger, and it is to his glory to overlook a transgression.

A person who is slow to anger has discretion.

What's the best way to deal with an angry person?

Prov 15:1 A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

The best way is not to respond in kind, because that will stir up the anger. A gentle approach is far more effective.

Is it possible to learn to be angry?

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If you spend time with an angry person you can pick their angry habits.

How can a person deal with their own anger?

Eph 4:31 Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamour, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.

Col 3:8 But now you must also put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth.

For Christians, dealing with anger comes down to a choice to put it off; we have been empowered by the Holy Spirit to do this.

Is it important to deal with our own anger?

1 Tim 2:8 Therefore I desire that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting; Being a holy person involves dealing with our own anger.

Does being angry sometimes produce good results?

James 1:19, 20 Therefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath; for the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God.

Human anger never produces the kind of results that God wants.

What about provoking others to anger?

Col 3:21 Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.

Eph 6:4 And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

God warns us against provoking others to anger, especially our own children.