

“When It’s Okay to Be Angry”
Matt 21:12-17
“Passion Week” Message Series
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SUNDAY	-----	MONDAY	-----	TUESDAY	-----	THURSDAY	-----	FRIDAY	-----	SATURDAY
Palm		Clearing out		Various		Upper Room		Good		In a
Sunday		the Temple		Teachings		Discourse		Friday		Tomb

When was the last time you were angry? What details were involved? _____

Anger is not always sin (Eph 4:26). There’s an anger called “righteous indignation” (Psa 7:11; Mk 3:5).

- Biblically, anger is a God-given energy and a warning flag pointing to an injustice. Harness this energy well and you won’t _____ in your anger.

“Okay, but why all the talk about anger?” Because this morning we’ll be exploring a most famous, should I say, episode (?) of explosive anger by _____!

Check out Matthew 21:12-13... “Why so angry, Jesus?” Because of the _____ of the religious/political leaders! 1) An extortionate monetary rate of exchange, and, 2) A crooked inspection process

Let’s read on (vv 14-17)... “A Beautiful Balance”... The destructive force of _____ going hand-in-hand with the healing power of _____.

“But... How do I ensure that my anger is a righteous indignation and not an anger that is sinful?”

- **Three things to ask:**
 - 1. What is your anger directed towards? _____
 - Is your anger is directed at what angers God Himself (Gal 5:19-21)?
 - 2. An attitude check is always in order. _____
 - Is your anger a vengeful type based on unforgiveness/bitterness (Rom 12:19-21)?
 - 3. What is the nature of your anger? _____
 - Too much? At the appropriate time? Controlled? Selfless (Jas 1:19-20)?

A closing question: How exactly would your family, workplace, school, and social activities be blessed by your growth in godly character in this area of life? _____

Your Kingdom Assignment for the week: Prayerfully read through and put into practice the following passages regarding anger: Eph 4:26-31; Jas 1:19-20; 4:1-2; Prov 29:11; 19:11; 15:11; 15:18; 14:29; Eccl 7:9; Psa 37:8-9