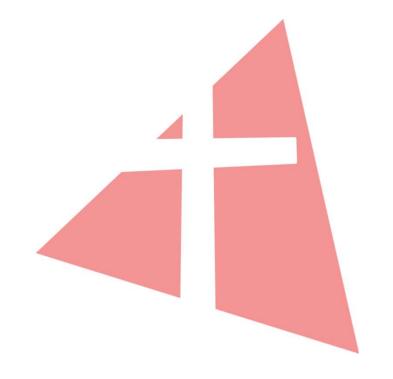
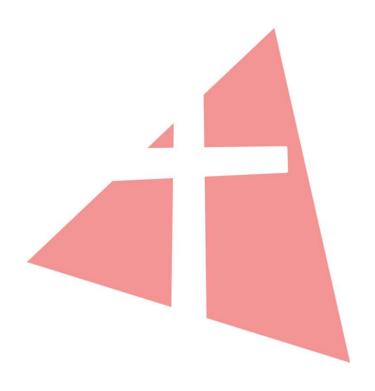
# **ANGER**

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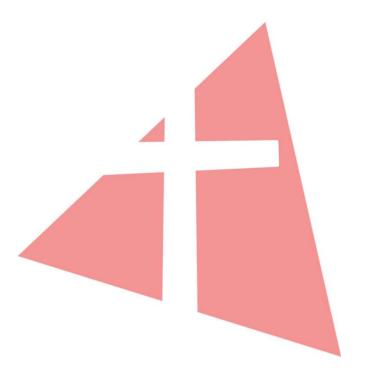
# LAST SERMON

o Forgiveness



# **AND THEN?**

• What comes after forgiveness?



#### Feelings are part of who God is

God is very emotional

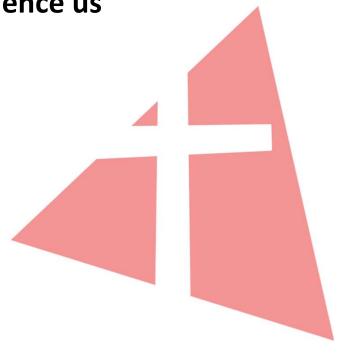
Psalms 7:11 God judges the righteous, and God is angry with the wicked every day.

Psalms 78:40 How often did they provoke him in the wilderness, and grieve him in the desert!

Exodus 34:14 For you shall worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God:

## **FEELINGS**

- Feelings are neither right or wrong
- Feelings do however have the power to influence us
  - Actions
  - Desires
  - Life goals
  - •



# **FEELINGS**

• We cannot allow our feelings to solely dictate our actions

## **FEELINGS**

What matters is not how we feel, but what we do with our feelings

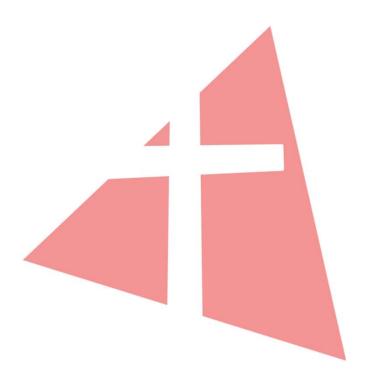
# CLOSE RELATIONSHIPS

• The closer the relationship, the more feelings are involved

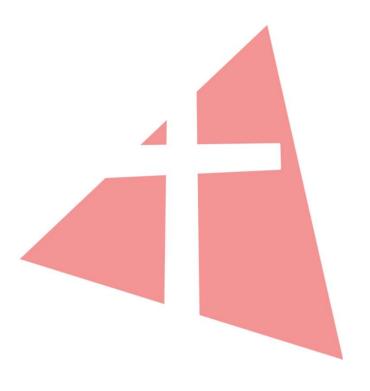
#### Anger in itself is not sin

Ephesians 4:26 Be angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

Anger is an expression of love



- God loves people
- That's why God hates sin

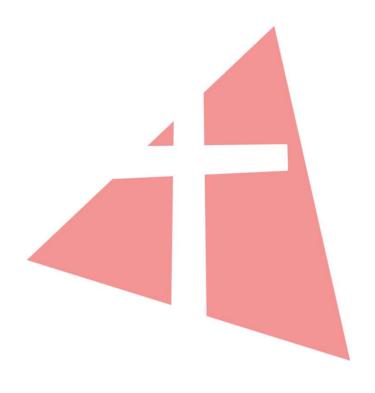


#### God is angry at sin, but loves the person

Hebrews 12:6-7 For whom the Lord loves he chastens, and scourges every son whom he receives. If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chastens not?

#### There are two types of anger

- Unrighteous anger
- Righteous anger



Anger should be dealt with quickly

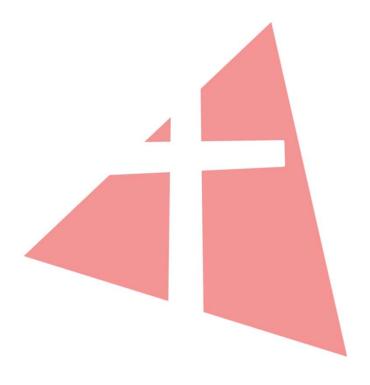
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Hebrews 12:15 Looking diligently lest any man fall short of the **grace** of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled;

# WRONG WAY OF DEALING WITH ANGER

Allowing anger to lead us to sin



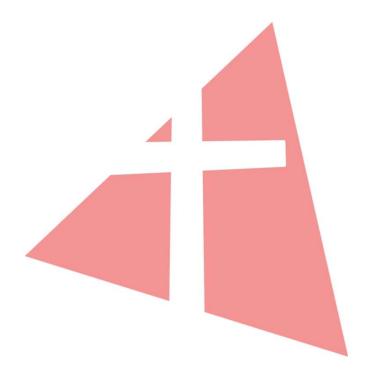
#### LET'S GET PRACTICAL

#### Foundations

- Anger is not sin
- There are no "bad feelings" (only feelings we don't like)
- Anger tells us something about our perceived reality

- Why am I angry?
- What person/thing that I value did get violated in my perception?

• Who or what am I angry with?



#### O How am I contributing to the problem?

Matthew 7:3-5 And why behold you the speck that is in your brother's eye, but consider not the beam that is in your own eye? Or how will you say to your brother, Let me pull the speck out of your eye; and, behold, a beam is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of your own eye; and then shall you see clearly to cast out the speck out of your brother's eye.

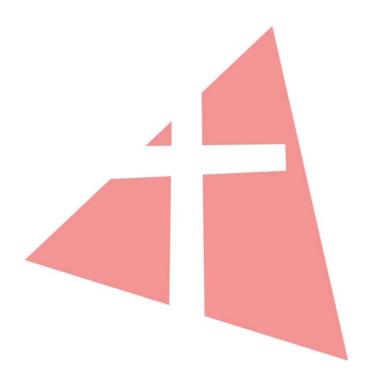
- What is my anger trying to tell me? What does it point to?
  - Does it point towards sin?
  - Does it point towards my own desires?

O Does my anger influence my actions? If yes, how? Is it a good change or a bad change?

O Does my anger influence the affected relationship in a positive or in a negative way?

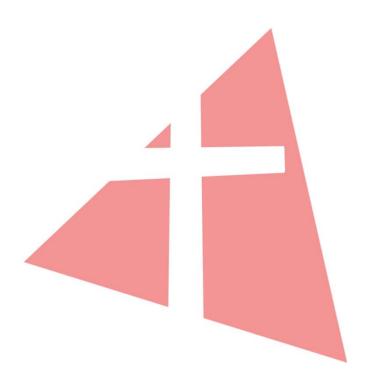
# **GOOD PRACTICE**

Take time to analyze your anger



# THE POWER OF ANGER

A current situation in another church



## THE POWER OF ANGER

We pray that God will grant us to deal with anger the right way

## IN CONCLUSION

- Anger dealt with the wrong way can destroy relationships and our lives
- Anger dealt with the right way can be a wonderful tool to