From Proverbs: Six Critical Lessons About Anger

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1. Anger—and the Fool

A fool's anger is known at once. 12:16 A fool always loses his temper. 29:11 A quick-tempered man does foolish things. 14:17

2. Anger—and the <u>Temper</u>

a) The <u>Quick</u> <u>Temper</u>

A quick temper... exalts folly. 14:29 Hot-tempered man stirs up strife. 15:18 Hot-tempered man abounds in transgression. 29:22 Fool always loses his temper. 29:11 Quick-tempered man acts foolishly. 14:17 Don't associate with a hot-tempered man. 22:24

b) The <u>Controlled</u> <u>Temper</u>

One who controls his temper... is better than a conqueror of a city. 16:32 A wise man... holds his temper back. 29:11

c) The <u>Slow</u> <u>Temper</u>

Slow to anger... has great understanding. 14:29 Slow to anger... calms a dispute/quiets contention. 15:18 One slow to anger... is better than a mighty warrior. 16:32 Discretion... makes one slow to anger. 19:11

3. Anger—and <u>Strife</u>

Angry man stirs up strife. 29:22 Churning of anger... produces strife. 30:33 Harsh words stir up anger. 15:1 A backbiting tongue brings an angry countenance. 25:23

4. Anger—an earnest <u>Warning</u>

Do not associate with one given to anger. 22:24

5. Anger—the high _Cost__

A man of great anger... will bear the penalty. 19:19

6. Anger—can be <u>Turned</u> <u>Away</u>

A gentle answer... turns away wrath. 15:1 Wise men turn away anger. 29:8