

SUNDAY MORNING, SEPTEMBER 30, 2018 PASTOR PAUL CHAPPELL

TITLE: KIND ONE TO ANOTHER

INTRODUCTION

"Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. 26 Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath: 27 Neither give place to the devil. 28 Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. 29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. 30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. 31 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." (Ephesians 4:25–32)

Quote: "Kindness is a language that deaf people can hear and that blind people can see."—Chuck Swindoll			
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A. A	of Anger		
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THERE CAN BE RIGHTEOUS ANGER

"And found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting: 15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; 16 And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise." (John 2:14–16)

Quote: "If we would be angry and not sin, we must be angry at nothing but sin; and we should be more jealous for the glory of God than for any interest or reputation of our own."—**Matthew Henry**

ANGER TENDS TO LEAD US TOWARD SIN

"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." (James 1:19–20)

Quote: "Whatever is begun in anger ends in shame."
—Benjamin Franklin

В.	A	of Testimony

TESTIMONY IS DIMINISHED

Definition: wrath—intense anger; rage; fury; any action carried out in great anger, especially for punishment or vengeance

"Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled;" (Hebrews 12:15)

Quote: "Bitterness imprisons life; love releases it. Bitterness paralyzes life; love empowers it. Bitterness sours life; love sweetens it. Bitterness sickens life; love heals it. Bitterness blinds life; love anoints its eyes."—**Harry Emerson Fosdick**

SATAN IS ADVANTAGED

Definition: *place*—any portion or space marked off, room, opportunity or power for acting

"But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof." (Romans 13:14)

"To whom ye forgive any thing, I forgive also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave it, for your sakes forgave I it in the person of Christ; 11 Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices." (2 Corinthians 2:10-11)

Quote: "When you forgive, you set two people free, and one of them is yourself."

"Even so must their wives be grave, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things." (1 Timothy 3:11)

"The aged women likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;" (Titus 2:3)

2. The _____ of Kindness

A. It Is Not _____

 $\textbf{Definition:} \ corrupt{-}{\text{rotten}}, \ \text{putrefied, unfit for use}$

Definition: *edifying*—building up, causing growth

Definition: *minister*—to give of one's own accord, to bestow a gift

Quote: "No matter what good truths you have to teach, no one will thank you if you do not speak kindly."—C.H. Spurgeon

B. It Is

BY GRACIOUS WORDS

Quote: "Grace is the inner disposition created by the Holy Spirit."

"And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?" (Luke 4:22)

BY NOT GRIEVING GOD

Definition: *grieve*—to cause sorrow or heaviness, to offend, to make uneasy

Definition: *sealed*—to be marked or stamped as a proof of ownership

Definition: bitterness—poisonous hatred, extreme wickedness

Definition: *put away*—to lift off and remove, to cause to cease

Quote: "Unforgiveness is the poison we drink, hoping others will die."—**Unknown**

Quote: "It's wise to remember that anger is just one letter short of danger."—**Sam Ewing**

Tŀ	ne of Kindness
Α.	Kindness Is
	"Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up," (1 Corinthians 13:4)
	"To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, but gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men." (Titus $3:2$)
	"Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous:"(1 Peter 3:8)
	"A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver." (Proverbs 25:11)
	Quote: "Flatter me, and I may not believe you. Criticize me, and I may not like you. Ignore me, and I may not forgive you. Encourage me, and I will not forget you."—William Ward
В.	Kindness Is
	Definition: <i>tenderhearted</i> —having strong inward compassion, sympathetic
	"Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt." (Matthew 18:27)
	"For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance." (Hebrews 10:34)

CONCLUSION _____