

THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE:

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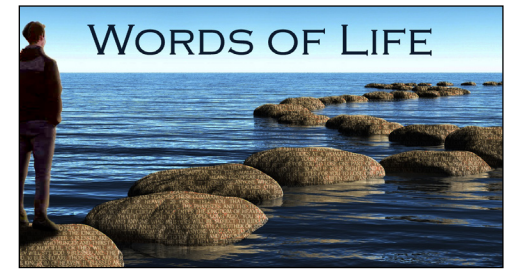
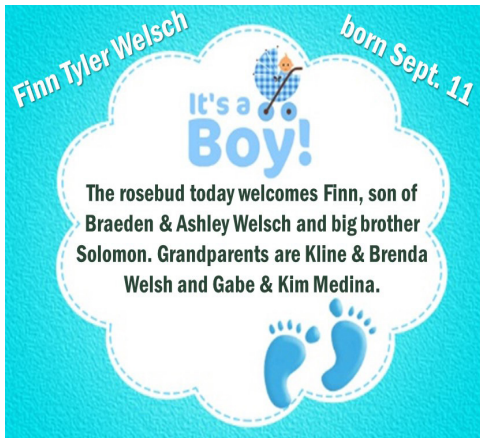
Matthew 5:21-26 (NIV)

²¹"You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.' ²²But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, 'Raca,' is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell.

²³"Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.

²⁵ "Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. ²⁶ Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.

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Prelude

Janet Bell

Greetings & Life in the Church

Ben Downey

Call to Worship

Leader: How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity!

People: How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters live together in unity!

Leader: I will listen to what God the LORD will say; he promises peace to his people, his saints

People: May they sing of the ways of the LORD, for the glory of the LORD is great.

Leader: Surely his salvation is near those who fear him that his glory may dwell among us.

People: Love and faithfulness meet together; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

All: The Lord bestows his peace, his love, his blessings, even life forevermore.

Songs of Worship & Praise *The Love Of God*

No. 157

Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven

No. 1

First Scripture Reading

James 1:19-27

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Pardon

Song of Thanksgiving *And Can It Be?*

No. 347

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:21-26

Message

Words Of Life: Quick

Rev. Ralph Kieneker

Song of Response *I Then Shall Live (v.1-2)*

No. 604

Offering

Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive

Adult Choir

Doxology & Celebration of Life



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Words of Life: Quick

SERMON NOTES AND DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

I. Introduction

Question:

Is it really possible to let go of unrighteous anger?

II. Recognize the difference between righteous anger and unrighteous anger.

a. Jesus Method of Teaching

i. Luke 14:12-14

b. The Anatomy of Anger

i. Ephesians 4:26

ii. James 1:19-20

III. Make Relationships your first priority in Worship

IV. Aim for a heart that chooses reconciliation

a. Quick

b. No rehearsing, no gossiping

V. Conclusion: Counting the Cost

Discussion Questions

Sharing Life Together

1. How was anger present in your family of origin, and what impact has it had on you?
2. What do you think is the biggest price you have paid because of your own struggles with anger?

Reflecting on the Message Together

1. What do you think are some good examples of righteous anger?
2. How can we know the difference between righteous anger and unrighteous anger?
3. If we hold on to anger, are we really in danger of the fires of hell? How do we square what Jesus says in this passage with the fact that our salvation is received and not achieved?
4. What do you think are some of the most important characteristics of understanding Jesus' methods of teaching?
5. What do you think are the biggest obstacles for you to apply the wisdom of Jesus' teaching on anger found in the Sermon on the Mount?
6. What are other important biblical principles not discussed in this passage that could help us avoid holding on to unrighteous anger?
7. What are practical ways we can aim our hearts towards reconciliation?
8. How did God speak to you through this teaching?
9. How can we pray for one another?