

Questions for Consideration—With the Master on the Mount—Lesson 5—  
Matthew 5:21-26—The Dangerous Sin of Anger!

1. (a) According to Matthew 5:21-26, what was the penalty for someone who murdered? (b) What does Jesus say the penalty is for someone who is angry? (c) Is it every right to murder? Prove your answer biblically?
2. Memorize Matthew 5:22.
3. (a) As you read the following passages, put them into a category of righteous anger or unrighteous anger. Genesis 4:4-6; Genesis 30:1,2; Exodus 4:1-14; Exodus 32:19-21; Numbers 25:6-13; 1 Samuel 17:26-29; 1 Samuel 18:8,9; 2 Samuel 6:6-8; Esther 3:1-6; Psalm 7:11; Daniel 3:16-19; Jonah 3:10-4:11; Mark 3:1-5; John 2:13-17; Ephesians 4:26; James 1:19,20. (b) After reading these passages summarize what righteous anger is and what unrighteous anger is.
4. (a) What did Paul do before salvation according to Acts 9:1? (b) According to what Paul wrote later after his conversion in Galatians 5:19-21, what would have happened to him had he not repented? (c) What is Paul's response to God's redemptive grace according to 1 Timothy 1:12-17?
5. (a) What does the bible say about anger in Psalm 37:8; Proverbs 15:1; Proverbs 16:32; Proverbs 19:11; Ephesians 4:31; Colossians 3:8? (b) How do you personally fight this sin in your life? (c) What should we put on in place of anger? See Galatians 5:22, 23 and Colossians 3:12-17 for some ideas.
6. (a) Do you think it is ever right to kill someone? Prove your answer biblically. (For some help read Numbers 35.) (b) Do you think someone who commits murder against themselves (suicide) will go to heaven?
7. Are you easily frustrated with others? Do you make excuses for your irritation and anger by blaming others? Blaming your hormones? Blaming your circumstances? What would Christ have us do in these situations? Write a request for prayer as you think through these questions.

**\*\*Recommended reading: The art of Divine Contentment—by Thomas Watson. We must put off anger, we must put on contentment.**