

“Like Joseph, Master the Emotion of Anger!”

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What makes you **mad**?

 **Genesis 41-45** (pages 31-36 in the pew Bible)

“In your anger do not sin’: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry”
- Ephesians 4:26

① ANGER IS **NORMAL AND NATURAL** (42:6-9)

“But if there is serious injury, you are to take life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, burn for burn, wound for wound, bruise for bruise.”
Exodus 21:23-25

“Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against one of your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD.” Leviticus 19:18

② YOUR ANGER DOES NOT ACCOMPLISH **GOD’S PURPOSE** (45:1-5)

“My dear brothers, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, for man’s anger does not bring about the righteous life that God desires.” James 1:19-20

“Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: ‘It is mine to avenge; I will repay,’ says the Lord.” Romans 12:19

③ WHEN YOU RECEIVE **GOD’S GRACE**, YOU MUST **PASS IT ON** (45:14-18)

Jesus said, “You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven.” Matthew 5:43-45

“Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.” Ephesians 4:32

APPLICATION: TRANSLATE GOD’S TRUTH INTO **ACTION**