



Scriptures for Life

A Gentle Answer - Proverbs 15:1

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Prov. 15:1 A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

Has someone ever said something to you in a manner that made you want to lash out at them? It's bound to happen at one time or another. But does lashing back at someone ever do any good? Most often it just makes things worse.

When we respond according to our current emotions we are basically fighting fire with fire. A fireman doesn't use fire to put fire out. Common sense, right? So when a matter arises that would make you want to lash out, hit the pause button. Ask yourself "Will the actions I want to do make things better or worse? Will I be using fire or water?"

Consider Jeremiah's prayer.

Jer. 10:24 Correct me, YHWH, but only with justice — not in your anger, lest you reduce me to nothing.

Would we want YHWH to act according to emotions at us when we do wrong? Of course not. So we shouldn't let our emotions go unleashed when responding to someone either. It's all about self control. Part of the fruit of the Spirit found in Gal. 5:22. Don't give in to your emotions and make matters worse.

Let this be a focus in your time of meditation throughout the day. Until next time, Shalom.