

James 1:20~

**For man's wrath does not work out God's righteousness.**

**1· James now shows that man's wrath is often expressed in a wrong way and causes further sinning by men. Since we should not take out vengeance upon another, then there is less reason to even get angry. We should concentrate on maintaining self-control and our inner peace in any situation that could provoke us to wrath or vengeance through anger.**

**[Question]** What does the wrath of men generally produce?

**[Question]** If we are not to take vengeance upon another even though it is deserved, how does this calm us?

**[Question]** What then, should we concentrate on maintaining?

**2· Moreover, the fruit of **righteousness** has its seed sown under peaceful conditions, for those who are making peace. (**James 3:18**)**

**[Question]** When does the fruit of righteousness have its seed sown, and toward whom?

**3· And the sons of Jacob came in from the field as soon as they heard of it, and the men became hurt in their feelings and they grew very angry, because he had committed a disgraceful folly against Israel in lying down with Jacob's daughter, whereas nothing like that ought to be done. (**Genesis 34:7**)**

**[Question]** How did the brothers of Joseph react to the raping of their sister Dinah?

**4· At length Saul spoke to Jonathan his son and to all his servants of putting David to death. (**1 Samuel 19:1**)**

**[Question]** How did Saul allow himself to come to feel about David, though there was no good grounds for his feeling hatred for David?

**5· But David said; What do I have to do with you men, you sons of Zeruiah, that you should become today a resister of me? Will anyone today be put to death in Israel? For do I not well know that today I am king over Israel? (**2 Samuel 19:22**)**

**[Question]** How did David rightly restrain himself, when another man called down evil upon him and his house?

- 6· **There is the cruelty of rage, also the flood of anger, but who can stand before jealousy? (Proverbs 27:4)**

**[Question]** What are difficult things to stand in the face of, but what is the hardest?

- 7· **Therefore I desire that in every place the men carry on prayer, lifting up loyal hands, apart from wrath and debates. (1 Timothy 2:8)**

**[Question]** How does Yehowah God want his anointed congregation to act always?

- 8· **For we know him that said: Vengeance is mine. I will recompense. And again: Yehowah will judge his people. (Hebrews 10:30)**

**[Question]** Who promises to take appropriate vengeance upon all the wicked ones in his own due time?