## The SOLOMON SECRETS



## 10 KEYS TO EXTRAORDINARY SUCCESS

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KEEP YOUR COOL WHEN THINGS GET HOT! PROVERBS 14:29

Introduction: As we continue our study in Proverbs, we are going to discover how to handle one of life's most common, but potentially lethal, emotions.

- I. Anger Defined: Anger is a <u>natural physical</u> and <u>emotional</u> response to <u>perceived</u> <u>injustice</u>.
  - A. Anger is a **Natural Response** (Genesis 1:27)
  - B. Anger is a Matter of **Perception**
  - C. Anger Results in a <u>Response</u> (Ephesians 4:26-27; Colossians 3:8)
    - 1. "Wrath" is Anger <u>Expressed</u> (Proverbs 14:17)
    - 2. "Malice" is Anger <u>Suppressed</u> (Proverbs 30:33)
- II. How To Handle Your Anger
  - A. Call an Emotional <u>Time-Out</u> (Proverbs 14:29, 16:32, 19:11)

- B. Analyze the <u>Cause</u> of Your Anger (Proverbs 18:13)
  - 1. What is the **source** of my anger?
  - 2. Do I have <u>complete</u> and <u>accurate</u> information?
- C. Overlook Minor Offenses (Proverbs 19:11)
- D. Learn to Forgive <u>Major</u> Offenses (Ephesians 4:32)

  True Forgiveness ...
  - 1. Admits that you have been wronged
  - 2. <u>Acknowledges</u> your offender's obligation to you
  - 3. <u>Releases</u> your offender of his obligation to you
- E. Don't Associate with <u>Angry People</u> (Proverbs 22:24-25)
- III. How To Handle Other People's Anger
  - A. <u>Listen</u> Carefully (Proverbs 17:27)
  - B. Try to <u>Identify</u> with the Other Person's Anger (Proverbs 10:12)
  - C. Answer <u>Softly</u> and <u>Slowly</u> (Proverbs 15:1)
  - D. Ask <u>Forgiveness</u> if Necessary (Proverbs 28:13)