**REFINERS FIRE – NEW LIGHT SERMON SERIES (July/August 2020)**

For ***he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap***. Malachi 3:2

For the Lord sees not as man sees: ***man looks on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ appearance***, but ***the Lord looks on the heart***.” 1 Samuel 16:7

I counsel you to buy from me **gold refined by fire**, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may **clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness** may not be seen, and **salve to anoint your eyes**, so that you may see. Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. Revelation 3:19

1. **REALISE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

“A hot-tempered man…gets into all kinds of trouble.” Proverbs 29:22 (LB)

“Hot tempers cause arguments.” Proverbs 15:18 (GN)

“. . . anger causes mistakes.” Proverbs 14:29 (LB)

“People with hot tempers do foolish things.” Proverbs 14:17 (GN)

“The fool who provokes his family to anger and resentment will finally have nothing worthwhile left.” Proverbs 11:29 (LB)

1. **RESOLVE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

“A fool gives full vent to his anger, but a wise man KEEPS himself under control.” Proverbs 29:11

Resolve = Decide in Advance

1. **REFLECT \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

“My dear brothers and sisters, always be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry, because human anger will never bring about the righteous life that God desires.” James 1:19-20

o BE QUICK \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

o BE SLOW \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

“A stupid man gives free rein to his anger; a wise man waits and lets it grow cool.” Prov. 29:11 (NEB)

o BE SLOW \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
“A man's wisdom gives him patience.” Prov. 19:11 (NIV)

ASK 3 QUESTIONS

o WHY \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Hurt? Frustration? Fear?

o WHAT \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

o HOW \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

PRAY:   
“Lord, help me control my tongue; help me be careful about what I say.” Psalm 141:3 (NCV) “Drinking too much makes you loud and foolish. It’s stupid to get drunk.” Prov. 20:1 (GNT)

1. **RELEASE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

“If you become angry, don’t let your anger lead you into sin.” Eph. 4:26 (TEV)

“A gentle answer quiets anger, but a harsh one stirs it up.” Prov. 15:1 (TEV)

Don’t Suppress it . . . Repress it . . . or Express it. CONFESS it!

1. **RE-PATTERN \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

“Don't copy the behaviour and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think.” Romans 12:2a (NLT)

“Keep away from angry, short-tempered people, or you will learn to be like them . . .” Prov. 22:24 (LB)

“If you exploit or abuse your family, you’ll end up with a fistful of air.” Prov. 11:29 (Mes)

“You husbands must love your wives and never treat them harshly.” Col. 3:19 (NLT)

1. **ASK GOD \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

“Love is not easily angered.” 1 Cor. 13:5

“Patience and encouragement come from God. I pray God will help you all agree with each other the way Christ Jesus wants.” Romans 15:5

“The fruit of the Spirit is . . . patience.” Galatians 5:22

“Whatever is IN YOUR HEART determines what you say.” Matt. 12:34