

WHAT I WISH I KNEW...

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I NEED HELP CONNECTING WITH MY SPOUSE

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DIGGING DEEPER

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Understand this, my dear brothers and sisters: You must all be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry. Human anger does not produce the righteousness God desires. James 1:19-20 (NLT)

Insight: There is great value in finding a friend who will really listen. Being heard is a gift.

To get you thinking: Do you tend to listen more or talk more?

Read James 1:19-27.

1. How would you summarize this passage in one phrase?
2. Think of someone who would fit the description of being *quick to listen and slow to speak*. What's it like to be around that person?
3. What are some benefits of listening first and taking your time before speaking?
4. What is beneficial about being *slow to anger*? What are some results of being quick to get angry?
5. Based on verse 21, what steps can we take to be quicker to listen, and slower to speak or get angry?
6. What helps you to listen to God through His Word?
7. How can listening to and doing the Word of God improve your relationships?
8. According to verse 26, what is someone showing when they can't control their tongue?
9. What are some indicators of people who truly have a close relationship with God?
10. How does it help you to know that God is always available to listen?
11. What is God saying to you personally through this passage?

For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer.

1 Peter 3:12 (NIV)