

This study reminds me of Proverbs 15:1, "A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger." What we say and how we say it not only makes a difference in the reaction we receive, but it also determines whether conflict or peace will result. How many arguments could be avoided and tense situations relaxed if we practiced the truth of this verse!

The next time someone speaks to you in a harsh or angry tone, reverse the trend by expressing meekness, quietness of spirit, and loving concern. What a difference a soft answer can make in our relationships! --RWD

*So many folks use words that are harsh,
When angry, they speak their mind;
But Christ would have us reverse this trend
With words that are always kind. --DJD*

**To get out of a hard situation,
try a soft answer.**



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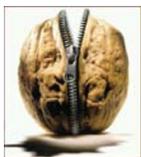
Reverse The Trend

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Many years ago a speech research unit at Kenyon College conducted a test in cooperation with the US Navy. The purpose was to discover how the tone quality of the voice affected sailors when they were given orders. A number of experiments revealed that the way a person was addressed determined to a large extent the kind of response he would make.

For example, when an individual was spoken to in a soft voice, he would answer in a similar manner. But when he was shouted at, his reply came back in the same sharp tone. This was true whether the communication was given face-to-face, over the intercom, or by telephone.





Romans: Truth in a Nutshell

(unzipped for you)

Loving People II

Review: Romans 1:16, 12:1-2, 13-21

In Romans 12:16-21 there are 6 statements of what love will require in relationships:

1. Love requires us to be _____, verse 16a,

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(Rom 12:16) *Have the same respect one for another [paraphrase]*

(Rom 12:16) *Have the same concern for everyone [paraphrase]*

(Rom 12:16) *Live together in peace with each other. [paraphrase]*

(Rom 12:16) *Live in harmony with one another. [paraphrase]*

(James 2:1-4) *"My brethren, do not hold the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with partiality. {2} For if there should come into your assembly a man with gold rings, in fine apparel, and there should also come in a poor man in filthy clothes, {3} and you pay attention to the one wearing the fine clothes and say to him, "You sit here in a good place," and say to the poor man, "You stand there," or, "Sit here at my footstool," {4} have you not shown partiality among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts?"*

(James 2:9) *"but if you show partiality, you commit sin, and are convicted by the law as transgressors."*



2. Love requires us to be _____, verse 16b

(1 Corinthians 13:4) *"Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up;"*

(Luke 14:12-14) *"Then He also said to him who invited Him, "When you give a dinner or a supper, do not ask your friends, your brothers, your relatives, nor rich neighbors, lest they also invite you back, and you be repaid. {13} "But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind. {14} "And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you; for you shall be repaid at the resurrection of the just.""*

(1 Corinthians 13:5) *"does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil;"*

(2 Corinthians 10:4-5) *"For the weapons of our*



warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, {5} casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,"

3. Love requires us to be _____, verse 16c

(Proverbs 3:7) *"Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the LORD and depart from evil."*

(Isaiah 5:21) *"Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes, And prudent in their own sight!"*



Review: Romans 1:21, 28, 2:1, 3:10, 18, 4:20-22, 5:1-2, 6:1-2, 4, 6, 11, 17-18, 8:2, 4, 12:16-21

