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The
Season
of
Lent



If that Isn't Love

*He left the splendour of Heaven
Knowing His destiny
'Twas the lonely Hill of Golgotha
There to lay down His life for me.
If that isn't love?*

Love

(Submitted by
Sis. Linda Simpson)

What is Love? Some say love is what we experience in any moment that we are with someone without having or believing any judgments about that person. Others say that love is completely unconditional - it has no conditions.

1st Corinthians chapter 13 vs. 4-8 say: ***“Love is patient, love is kind, love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way, it is not irritable or resentful, it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth, it bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things. Love never ends.”*** This love is between man and woman and God coming together with marriage.



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Brotherly Love is another form of love among men. Luke chapter 10 vs. 27 says: ***“Love your neighbour with all your heart and with all your mind and with all your soul.”*** The story of The Good Samaritan shows us that brotherly love - where the Samaritan came to the rescue of the man who fell into the hand of robbers - he felt compassion on him. This love can relate to us today, how we treat our brother and sisters in need, and how we show compassion.

The most important Love of all is **Agape Love**, this is the love between God and man. We see

**What's
New?**

Special Unity Offering on Sunday, March 5 throughout Moravian Churches. This year's **Unity Offering** will go towards supporting the Unity Mission Conference in Cape Town, South Africa (Nov. 15-20, 2017). A **Special Offering** for **Theological Students** will also be collected on **Sunday, March 26**, 2017.

Remember in Prayer our Moravian Students - Bro. Kevin St. Hill of Barbados, and Bro. Daniel Mark of Tobago, currently on roll at the United Theological College of the West Indies (UTCWI) in Jamaica; as well as Warden/Tutor - Rev. Neilson Waithe.

this in that familiar passage taken from the Gospel according to John, Chapter 3 verse 16 which says : ***“For God so love the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him shall not perish but have everlasting life.”*** God loves us so much that He sent His only Son to die for our sins. This type of love characterizes God – it is not a ‘sappy’ sentimental feeling such as we often hear being portrayed. God loves the ‘unlovely’ – not because we deserve to be loved. This should tell us that we need to always believe and trust in Him. God said in His Word **‘He will never leave us nor forsake us’** therefore we should give him all the praise.

Let us pray: *Heavenly Father, we come before you giving all the praise and thanks unto you. We thank you for sending your Son, repaying our debt. We humbly ask for your continued blessing over our nation, and for those who do not know you like we do. You promised you will never leave us nor forsake us, and we are entirely grateful help us to continue to show that brotherly that we can come together and stand as one in peace and harmony with one another. These things I ask in Jesus’ name. Amen.*

Fun Corner

JESUS WAS TEMPTED TOO!

Word Search

T	S	E	N	O	T	S	E	S	E
E	T	H	U	N	G	R	Y	S	T
Y	T	R	O	F	A	S	T	E	D
P	S	L	E	G	N	A	S	N	E
L	I	A	N	T	A	S	E	R	V
I	L	H	D	E	T	P	M	E	T
V	D	I	S	T	A	L	F	D	I
E	V	I	L	R	S	O	T	L	L
D	S	E	V	A	O	L	O	I	E
T	P	M	E	T	E	W	O	W	L

WLDERNESS
TEMPTED
DEVIL
FOOT

FASTED
FORTY
HUNGRY
SATAN

STONES
LOAVES
ANGELS
WORSHIP

THIS MONTH IN MORAVIAN HISTORY AT BETHLEHEM

✚ 1457 March	The Moravian Church was founded in Bohemia and Moravia, and this is celebrated annually on March 1 st
✚ 1964 March 15 th	Our first Confirmation Service held at Bethlehem: – Bro. Winston Cumberbatch

Provincial Theme 2017 “Advance the Kingdom Use the Keys” ...

There are many keys, but ONE Door.

By studying the many keys to the Kingdom, we will be brought to the knowledge that keys are accessible, available and ought to be fully utilised.

Suggested Areas of Study:

THE KEY OF KNOWLEDGE

(Proverbs 3:5-12).

The Key of **Knowledge** leads to a greater understanding of God. This knowledge leads us to:

1. Totally Trust
2. Always Acknowledge
3. Faithfully Follow

We are therefore encouraged to:

1. Get Wisdom
2. Get Understanding
3. Fear the Lord
4. Depart from Evil
5. Honour the Lord

Having experienced the chastening of the Lord, we are called to live a transformed life. This chastening should not leave us to think we are victims, but rather victors, bringing glory to God.

More on “Use the Keys” Next Issue



*From the Pastor's
Desk*

Rev. Delroy Burley

'The Season of Lent'

Isaiah 58:1-12

As we are all aware, we are now in the season of Lent. This season serves as a preparation period for the time of celebration at Easter where we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord, Saviour, and soon coming King, Jesus Christ. During this season, we remember the time of fasting and prayer Jesus spent in the wilderness prior to His ministry. For us then, this season of Lent takes on a mode of penitence, and repentance. It is also a time when we take on activities that help us to engage in more intentional reflection such as fasting, personal as well as corporate meditation exercises.

There is a danger however, that we must be careful of. In the scripture reading from Isaiah 58: 1-12, you will observe that there is a mode of conduct that resembles that of Lent. Clearly the prophet Isaiah is speaking to the nation of Israel and is opposed to their seemingly 'good' conduct. The people of Israel would dress in sackcloth and would put ash on their faces as a sign of sorrow or grief, but the prophet admonishes that the Lord was not pleased with their fasting and prayer. You may ask, 'why?' For this reason, the Lord was not pleased with their actions - because it was not genuine. The Israelites fasted because it suited their fancies, but they continued in conduct that exploited their neighbours and inevitably displeased God in the process. In this text, the Israelites would impose high taxes on their fellowmen, they charged high interest rates on loans and when their neighbours could not repay, they would take their land and whatever property. They condoned slavery and persons even hid themselves so as not to help their family members who were in need.

By now we can see that it is quite possible for us to engage in activities that characterize godliness, penitence, and sorrow without any true repentance from us. The Jews of the time were engaging in fasting and prayer, but they were not acting as truly repentant sinners. In spite of all the social injustices

and misconduct that were present in the nation, the Israelites still practiced their faith, but God let them know that He was not pleased with their fasts because they were not genuine enough in the working of acts of justice.

So what is the lesson for us in the 21st century? The danger of engaging in meaningless fasts and other acts of penitence is present. The temptation exists for us to engage in religious practices that have no positive impact on how we relate to our neighbours. It is possible for us to attend Lenten meditations, to fast and pray but yet, to ignore the cries for help of our neighbours. It is still possible for us to attend church as, believers/Christians, regularly but to ignore the opportunities for service available within our church and communities. It is still possible for us to be aware of this season and its significance in the Christian faith, but still remain instruments that perpetuate injustices to our neighbours. Look around and you will see, don't take my word for it - see it for yourself.

However, God is a merciful God because through His Son, Jesus Christ, invites and welcomes all repentant sinners into relationship with Himself. This relationship requires love for God. This love is lived out not in isolation, but rather, in community that is, our love for and devotion to God is shown in how we treat others around us. What kind of fasts and prayers does the Lord require of us? What are you doing this Lenten season that you seek God's forgiveness? God desires fasts where we actively seek the good for our neighbours. God desires fasts where we offer ourselves for the services available within the Church and community, thus building up the kingdom of God. Then the Lord will hear our prayers and will forgive us and will not be displeased with us. Let us then, during this time of Lent seek to please God as we seek to live out our love and devotion for God in our congregation and community life.

Prayer:

Lord, teach us how to grow in Thy goodness daily as we grow. Step by step, O lead us onward, upward into You - wiser, stronger, still becoming in Thy truth. Never leave us, nor forsake us; ever be our friend; for we need You, from life's dawning to its end, Amen.

Source: Jesus, friend of little children...

This Month in Moravian History *'New Herrnhut on St. Thomas'*

The oldest Moravian Church in the western hemisphere is New Herrnhut on the Caribbean island of St. Thomas. It was founded over 275 years ago in 1738 after Moravians purchased the land at a public auction. This is an uplifting story of how the first church for enslaved people was founded; it is also the sad story of Moravian involvement in the institution of slavery.

Moravians first came to St. Thomas in 1732 to preach the Gospel to the enslaved Africans. On Sundays, the missionaries visited plantations where they were allowed to hold meetings with the slaves. Beginning in April of 1737 they also held worship services at a place they rented in Charlotte Amalie, described as “two small huts with a dirt floor.”

As their audience grew, the missionaries began to consider purchasing their own plantation. Here they would have more room for their church services and a school. They could also remain undisturbed from the attempts of their opponents to interfere with their work. Furthermore, they would have an opportunity to plant their own vegetable garden, something that was impossible in Charlotte Amalie.

On July 10, 1738, missionaries Friedrich Martin and Matthaeus Freundlich together with his wife Rebecca, asked Johann Carstens, a Danish planter who was sympathetic to the mission, to attend a public auction in Charlotte Amalie. The plantation of the widow Dorothea Salomon, including its slaves, was up for sale that day. The missionaries intended to buy two of the slaves, Anna Maria and Christoph. They were converts and the Moravians wanted to prevent them from being sold to slave owners who may be unsympathetic to the cause of the mission. In March of the same year two slaves—helpers in the small congregation on another plantation—had been separated from their wives and sent away to St. John by their owner in order to pay off a debt. Martin and Freundlich wanted to prevent such a thing from happening again.

While the auction was in progress, so it is told, Rebecca suddenly had an idea. She spoke to Br. Martin: “Listen, since we are oppressed everywhere, talk to Mr. Carstens to buy this piece of land. They ask 300 dollars, without the people who are being sold as well.” Although Br. Martin thought it may be

too late for that, he and Freundlich wrote a quick note and sent it to Mr. Carstens. Carstens increased his bid and the plantation was sold to him. Carstens left the plantation to the Moravians, who paid him back the following year. Thus the Moravians became owners of a plantation, including five men, three women, and a girl.

After the auction, Christoph and Anna Maria went to the missionaries to bring them the news. That evening, forty Africans gathered in the mission house for a thanksgiving service. The next morning Br. Martin and Christoph went to inspect the plantation. Coincidentally a shipment of Dutch Moravian hymn books had just arrived from Amsterdam for use in the new congregation; on July 20th the first church council was held. By August the missionaries had completely moved out of their house in Charlotte Amalie; from then on this plantation was the center of Moravian activity on the island.

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Helping Hands - Our Mission Fields

✓ **Church Quota and Arrears** – In an effort to help lower our debt to the Conference, it would be prudent for us to pay an additional \$500 each month towards our quota arrears, while maintaining our monthly quota payments. As a result, to aid in achieving this target, each member is encouraged to contribute towards this amount on the 4th Sunday of each month. Any amount donated will be appreciated.

✓ **Greetings/Birthdays/Anniversary Cards** – Let us strengthen our fellowship in Christ as we seek to welcome visitors and help celebrate special occasions in the life of members and visitors alike. Make your contribution to Sis. Diana Yarde or Anthea Barrow.

✓ **The 32nd Provincial Synod of the Moravian Church, Eastern West Indies Province** is scheduled to be held in Barbados (July 2018). The Barbados Conference has begun to make preparations for this event, including fundraising. Members and friends of the Moravian Church are asked to make a weekly contribution of \$1.00 (collected monthly on 3rd Sundays) towards those costs for which the Conference will be responsible.

✓ **The Cuthbert Pilgrim Memorial (CPM) Hall** is available for rentals – Conferences/Seminars, Meetings, Wedding Receptions, Graduations, etc. Just off the Maxwell Coast Road, minutes away from the Airport, it is situated within a quiet residential area, with ample parking available. To view/book, contact CPM Hall Manager, Sis. Eudora Mascoll (246-428-4784 or Assistant, Sis. Desma Linton (246-428-2962).

✓ **Bethlehem's Beautification Project** for the Church and Grounds is on-going. Lend your support.

✓ **This Newsletter - The Bethlehem Herald** is a monthly publication circulated electronically. Ideas, photos and articles are welcomed. Send to <bethlehemmoravianchurch@gmail.com>

Remember In Prayer

❖ **Our Sick & Shut-In/Recovering:**

Shut-in Communion/Visitation – 1st and 3rd Tuesdays

NAMES	CONTACT NUMBERS
Sis. Boothe Chase	246-428-6068
Sis. Mavis Chase	246-428-6258
Sis. Emily Forde	St. Philip Family Care 246-622-1897
Sis. Gracie Maynard	246-428-3678
Sis. Dorothy Waite	246-428-2877
Sis. Marjorie Worrell	246-437-1805
Sis. Odessa Haynes	246-426-8663

❖ Persons grappling with the **loss of a loved one.**

❖ All **Theological Students, Warden & Tutors**

❖ Sis. Andrea Pitt, Youth With A Mission Program

❖ **Chairman of the Unity, Rev. Dr. Cortroy Jarvis**

❖ **The Moravian Church & Jamaica Province.**

Financial Status

Target: \$ 9,000 monthly

Bethlehem's monthly Quota to Conference: \$4,796.67

Quota Arrears: \$65,363.78

Special Envelope this month (March):

Unity Offering & Theological Student Offering

Please give to God what He truly deserves

Income for February 2017

	\$
Initial Offering	20.00
Envelopes	4,444.00
Loose Offering	1,703.34
Sunday School	59.25
Sub-Total	6,226.59

Other Monies raised February 2017

	\$
CPM Hall - Rental	1,750.00
Other funds collected	
Quota Arrears to Conference	315.00
'Caribbean Moravian Praise' Hymnal	140.00
Moravian Daily Texts	276.00
"Youth With A Mission" Outreach	103.25
'Synod Walk—Up Offering	274.00
TOTAL	9,084.84

Walk-Up Offerings:

- 1st Sun. Bethlehem's Building Fund
- 2nd Sun. "Youth With A Mission"
- 3rd Sun. 32nd Provincial Synod Prep.
- 4th Sun. Bethlehem's Quota Arrears

Thank You:

- For your willingness to contribute to defraying the cost of printing this year's Lenten Devotionals, and thanks to the contributors from among our congregations who submitted their themed contributions to the Booklet.
- To all who shared or otherwise participated/assisted in the Joint Congregational Retreat (Bethlehem and St. Philip Fellowship) last month (February 4, at Bethlehem's CPM Hall).
- The individuals, organisations/groups assisting in the worship experience throughout this Lenten Services.

Mark Your Calendar - MARCH

- ☐ **Bethlehem's Hours of Worship:**
 - **Sunday School** : Sundays @ 9:00 am
 - **Divine Worship** : Sundays @ 10:00 am
 - **No Bible Study or Prayer Meeting this Month** (replaced by *Lenten Services*)
 - **Lenten Mid-Day and Mid-Week Services:** Wednesdays @ 12:15 pm and 7:30 pm. Come and invite someone.
 - **Pastor's Office Hours** : Fridays, 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm (by appointment)
- ☐ Assisting with the Worship experience this month:
 - **The Women's Fellowship** will be assisting with Cleaning and Preparing the Sanctuary.
 - **The Elders' Board** will be assisting with Readings and Prayer
- ☐ **Moravian Daily TextBooks** are available – American Paperback Edition : Large Print @ \$25.00 and Small Print @ \$22.00. Secure a copy as a gift or for yourself.
- ☐ The **Lenten Devotional** will be out this month. Please secure your copy, when available. Any funds contributed to **defray the cost of printing** the 2017 Lenten Devotionals should be **paid in to the Treasurer, Sis. Desma Linton**.
- ☐ **Ash Wednesday Services** will be held March 1, 2017 at **12:15 pm and 7:30 pm** at Bethlehem.
- ☐ **The World Day of Prayer** will be held across the island on **Friday, March 3, 2017**. Bethlehem is invited to share in Fellowship with the **Salvation Army** in Montrose at **7:00 pm**.
- ☐ **Moravian Lay Academy** continues **every Monday at 6:00 pm** at Calvary Moravian - **"Introduction of the Old Testament"**. It is not yet too late to join, learn and share.
- ☐ **Conference's Church Leaders' Retreat** takes place on Saturday, **March 4th at Sharon from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm** under the Provincial Theme: "Advance the Kingdom – Use the Keys". Registration Forms have been made available in each congregation (Deadline: February 26). Lunch will be provided. Cost: \$20.
- ☐ **Unity Sunday** will be celebrated on **March 5** in all Moravian Churches. This year we celebrate the **560th anniversary of the founding of the Moravian Church**. A **special offering will be taken** in all Moravian Churches worldwide, which will go towards supporting this year's Unity Mission Conference.
- ☐ Our **Annual March of Witness** on Unity Sunday (**March 5**) will be hosted by the Clifton Hill congregation and starts at 3:00 pm. **Bethlehem will march with Group 2 from the Christian Mission Church, Sugar Hill, St. Joseph to Mayers Corner to link with Group 1 at Mayers Corner for the march to Clifton Hill Moravian Church for the Rally.** One

representative from Bethlehem will present a **5-minute presentation** and all groups will Rally.

- ☐ **Fulnec's Week of Services : March 6-10** at 7:15 pm.
- ☐ **Joint Board** will meet **Tuesday, March 7**, at 7:30 pm.
- ☐ **Conference Sunday School Spelling 'B' and Quizz Competition** to be held **March 11**.
- ☐ **Island Conference** will be held at **10:00 am on Saturday, March 18** at the D.C. Moore Conference Centre at Sharon. Reports must be submitted by February 28. Delegates **MUST** be seated by Roll Call.
- ☐ **Centenary's Concert** on **Saturday, March 25** at 6pm

Other Reminders/Lenten Assignments

- ☐ The theme for the Season of Lent is **"..and lead us not into temptation."** Group assignments are as follows:

Date	Assigned	Sub-Theme/Text
March 1	Elders' Board	Surrender our will 1 Corinthians 10:5-13
March 8	Men's Fellowship	Teach us patience Romans 8:24-30
March 15	Women's Fellowship	Show us how to be humble Matthew 18:1-4
March 22	Stewards' Board	Help us to show love 1 Corinthians 13:4-8
March 29	Choir	Teach us to Pray Luke 11:1-13
April 5	S. School & Youth Fellowship	Teach us how to serve you while serving others Matthew 25: 31-40

Announcements

- ☐ **Rev. Andrew Roberts** was granted **Furlough** from **February 1 to May 30, 2017**.
- ☐ **The St. Philip Fellowship** expresses thanks to all who supported their **Tea Party and Fundraising** effort held last month (February 11).
- ☐ **The Unity Mission Conference** will be held in Cape Town, South Africa from November 15-20, 2017.
- ☐ **Vacancy – post of Supervisor at Gracehill Moravian Pre-School.** Contact the Superintendent, Barbados Conference, Rev. Vera Waithe (Tel: 246-438-7388/246-424-9232).

This Month & Upcoming:

Harvest Festivals:

- **Gracehill : March 12** - **Penuel : March 26**
- **Mt. Tabor : March 19** - **St. Philip F/ship @ Bethlehem : Apr. 2**
- Lenten Devotionals & Mid-Day & Evening Weekly Services (Lent)**
- Palm Sunday Service w/Community March @ 10:00 am : Apr. 9**
- Joint Maundy Thursday (w/St. Phillip F/ship) @ 7:30 pm : Apr.13**
- Good Friday Service @ 10:00 am : Apr. 14**
- Easter Sunrise Service @ 5:00 am & Worship @ 10:00 am : Apr. 16**

Greetings Information & News: From Home/Abroad

BIRTHDAYS

MARCH

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 01 – Bro. Michael Holder | 11 – Bro. Andrew Edwards |
| 01 – Sis. Jaida King-Greenidge | 20 – Sis. Verve Alleyne |
| 04 – Sis. Kaninie Knight | 21 – Sis. Eudora Mascoll |
| 04 – Sis. Eleanor Hollingsworth | 29 – Bro. Martin Adams |
| 05 – Sis. Ashley Greene | |

ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH

- 01 – Moravian Church (celebration on 1st Sunday) **560 Years**



March Of Witness & Rally - Details

- ☐ The **Annual March of Witness** on Unity Sunday (**March 5**) will be hosted by the Clifton Hill congregation. The Conference will divide into two groups and commence the March from 3:00 pm. Group 1 will march from St. Bernard's Primary School, Lammings, St. Joseph to Mayers Corner. Group 2 will march from the Christian Mission Church, Sugar Hill, St. Joseph to Mayers Corner. Both groups will then march to Clifton Hill for a Rally in the Church. You are reminded to wear your congregation's colour and bring along your banners, and musical instruments. Group 1: Mt. Tabor, Penuel, Calvary, Grace Hill, Centenary, & Clifton Hill representatives. Group 2: Sharon, Dunscombe, Bethlehem, St. Philip, Fulnec, Clifton Hill representatives.
- ☐ The **Moravian March of Witness Rally (March 5)** will consist of five (5) 5-minute presentations – one per Pastorates. The Rally follows the March through the Clifton Hill communities.
- ☐ The EWI Province will participate in the **Unity Prayer Watch** which began on August 13, 1727. This prayer chain will run unbroken from 12:00 AM on Monday, April 3, until Midnight on Saturday, April 15, 2017 per the following schedule :

Conference/ Mission	Time From	Time To
Grenada	12:00 AM Mon., Apr. 3	8:00 AM Mon., Apr. 3
Tobago	8:00 AM Mon., Apr. 3	8:00 AM Wed., Apr. 5
Trinidad	8:00 AM Wed., Apr. 5	8:00 AM Thurs., Apr. 6
Barbados	8:00 AM Thurs., Apr. 6	8:00 PM Sat., Apr. 8
Virgin Islands	8:00 AM Sat., Apr. 8	8:00 AM Tues., Apr. 11
St. Kitts	8:00 AM Tues., Apr. 11	12:00 Mid-night Wed., Apr. 12
Antigua	12:00 Mid-night Wed., Apr. 12	12:00 Mid-night Sat., Apr. 15

The Rudolph Holder Memorial 20/20 Cricket Competition

This year's Cricket Competition will consist of two zones – the **Rev. Dufferin Culpepper** and the **Rev. Romeo Challenger** Zones.

There will be two Shields to be won. The Rev. Holder Shield will be contested by the Moravian Teams. The second – the Moravian Memorial T-20 Cricket Shield, will be contested by all teams within the competition. Visiting teams this year are: Cox Road and Dunamis.

Rules

- ❖ Registration Fee is \$15.00 per person
- ❖ All congregations are requested to wear their respective colours
- ❖ Each Team must register a minimum of 12 persons
- ❖ Each Team must consist of at least one (1) Female
- ❖ 10 runs will be deducted if there is no female player registered.
- ❖ If there are no female players on the team during a match, 10 runs will also be deducted
- ❖ 10 runs will be deducted for every 15 minutes that a match is delayed by any team, (unless 1-2 days' prior notification is given)
- ❖ Managers and organisers are requested to encourage their supporters to maintain good sportsmanship-like behaviour in the spirit of the game
- ❖ All complaints are to be lodged through the Disciplinary Committee put in place for the Competition.

Revised Fixtures

Rev. Challenger Zone

Mar 3	Calvary	vs	BCCF*
Mar. 10	Cox Road	vs	Calvary
Mar. 30	Sharon	vs	BCCF
Apr. 7	Cox Road	vs	Sharon
Apr. 21	BCCF	vs	Cox Road
April 28	Calvary	vs	Sharon

*BCCF = Bethlehem, Centenary, Clifton Hill, & Fulnec

Rev. Culpepper Zone

Mar. 17	Mt. Tabor	vs	Dunamis
Mar. 24	Dunscombe	vs	Dunamis
Mar. 31	Mount Tabor	vs	Dunscombe

Semi-Finals: May 5 & 12

Final: May 19

Teen's Corner

TEMPTATION

Does a day go by where there isn't a temptation to do something wrong or to react in the wrong way?

You want to live right...you want to do as God would have you to do, but sometimes, it almost seems impossible. Is there any help?

Let's look to God's Word.

Use the Code Chart below to finish the verse.

(eg: K = 24)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
2	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
3	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
4	V	W	X	Y	Z		

When, _____, no one
 36 15 26 32 36 15 14
 _____ say, GOD is _____
 35 21 31 37 25 14 36 15 26 32 36
 _____ me'. For GOD _____ be
 22 27 17 13 11 27 27 31 36
 _____ by _____, nor does
 36 15 26 32 36 15 14 15 41 22 25
 HE _____; but;
 36 15 26 32 36 11 27 44 31 27 15
 _____ one is _____ when,
 15 11 13 21 36 15 26 32 36 15 14
 by his _____
 31 42 27 15 41 22 25 14 15 35 22 34
 _____, he is _____ away and _____
 15 14 34 11 17 17 15 14 15 27
 _____ . Then, after _____
 36 22 13 15 14 14 15 35 22 34 15
 has _____, it gives _____
 13 31 27 13 15 22 41 15 14 12 22
 _____ to _____: and sin, when it is _____
 34 36 21 35 22 27 16 37 25
 _____ Gives _____ to
 25 17 34 31 42 27 12 22 34 36 21
 _____."
 14 15 11 36 21

James 1:13-15

LET US TRY TO UNDERSTAND ANGER

Anger is often the result of feeling that someone is treating you unfairly, is unkind, or that someone is trying to take advantage of you. You may feel provoked. Anger also comes when you feel the threat of some loss.

- Can you remember the last time you were angry?
- Can you remember how you felt?
- Can you remember how you resolved your anger?
- Did your anger cause you to behave in a way that you were sorry about, after?

When we are angry we can feel upset, annoyed, furious, frustrated, and hurt. Everyone has feelings of anger from time to time. Anger is an emotional feeling. Some persons have problems managing their anger effectively. That is why they get into fights, look to weapons, drugs and other vices to make them feel better.

Understanding your anger will be important for you in understanding yourself.

...A typical sequence of events when anger occurs:

- Anger is triggered by an event, a provocation. Someone said or did something to you.
- Angry thoughts are developed. You feel upset, irritable.
- The next behaviours are based on the angry thoughts.
- Anger is fed and increases. If not managed, feelings of anger intensify and become far more difficult to control.
- Anger that is not managed triggers drawn out, painful and destructive series of angry thoughts and actions. These angry thoughts are often seen in persons fighting, cursing, or using a weapon.

It is important that we accept that it is our own thoughts and actions that prolong anger. In other words, it is not the event or what someone has said or done to us. If someone steps on our toes, calls us a name, carries away our girlfriend/boyfriend, we may be upset, we may be angry, but we have to decide how we are going to behave.

For more, read: "Managing Anger/Resolving Conflicts : A Handbook for Students" by Neilson A. Waithe

