



Stuff They Didn't Teach Me In Sunday School



Episode 039 - When God's Leader Lost His Cool Numbers 20:1-13

Moses was a very patient man, often pleading for the people of Israel while God was threatening to destroy them all. But even Moses could lose his temper.

- How much does it take for you to lose your temper?
- What ways do you try to diffuse that anger before it explodes?

In Psalm 106:32-33 it is written, "They angered Him at the waters of Meribah, and it went ill with Moses on their account, for they made his spirit bitter, and he spoke rashly with his lips."

- Are there things happening at your church that are difficult for you to accept?
- What things weigh on your pastor's heart?
- What are some ways you can lift up your pastor and other church leaders so they can serve the Lord and your congregation in joy?

Jesus was often tested by the Jewish leaders, the crowds, even His own chosen disciples. Coming down the mountain of Transfiguration where He had revealed His divine glory as God's Son, He found His disciples unable to drive out demons because of their doubts and unbelief. He expressed His disappointment in the strong words, "O faithless and twisted generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to Me" (Matthew 17:17). Jesus didn't lose His temper. Instead, He told them to bring the boy to Him, and He healed him.

On the cross Jesus prayed, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do" (Luke 23:34a).

- What was the reason Jesus was able to be so patient and forgiving toward those who took His life?
- What are some ways you have discovered that help you be patient and forgiving when you are being tested and opposed?