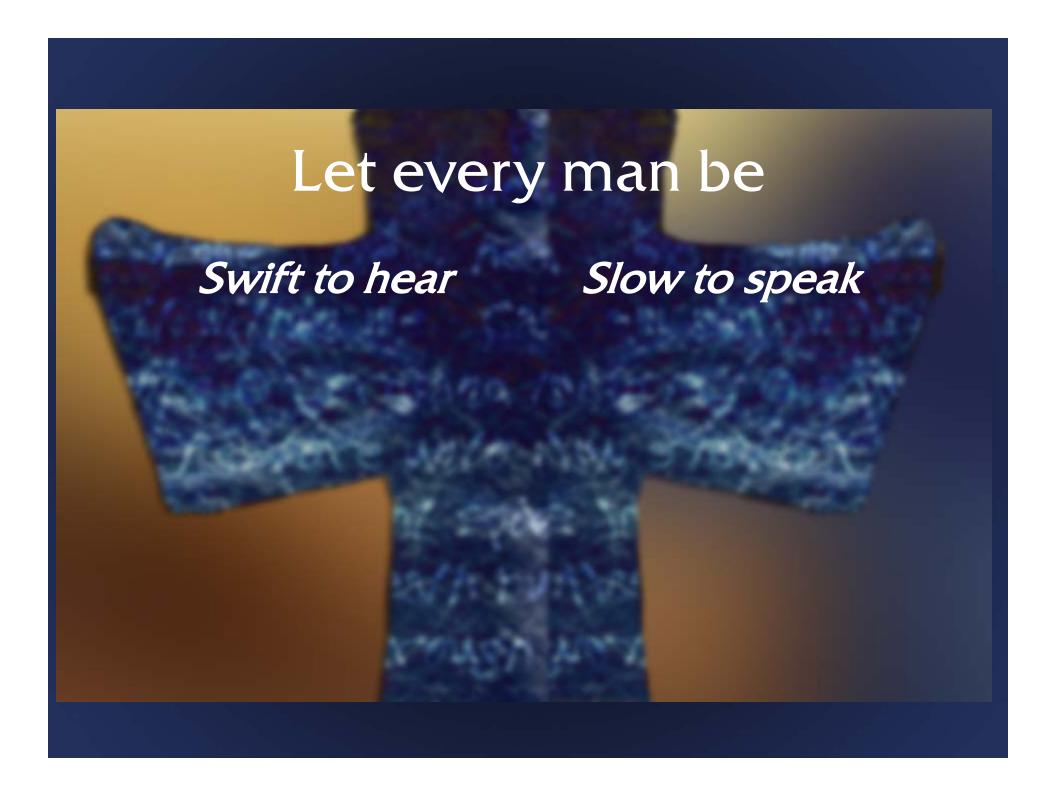
# 3 Helps for Difficulties James 1:19-20





Swift to hear

Slow to speak

In the multitude of words sin is not lacking, But he who restrains his lips is wise. (Proverbs 10:19)

#### Let every man be

Swift to hear

Slow to speak

He who has knowledge **spares his words**, And a man of understanding is of a calm spirit. Even a fool is counted wise when he **holds his peace**; When he **shuts his lips**, he is considered perceptive. (Proverbs 17:27-28)



Swift to hear

Slow to speak

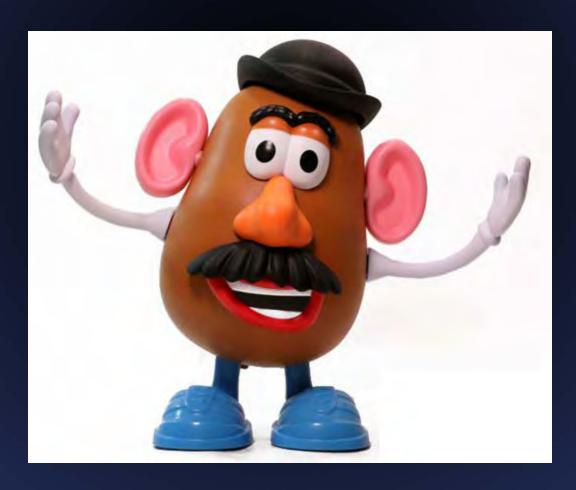
Do you see a man **hasty** in his words?

There is more hope for a fool than for him.

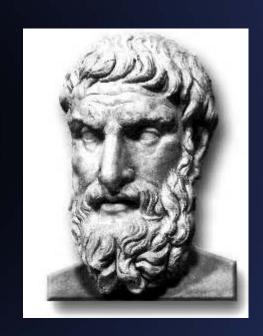
(Proverbs 29:20)

#### Question

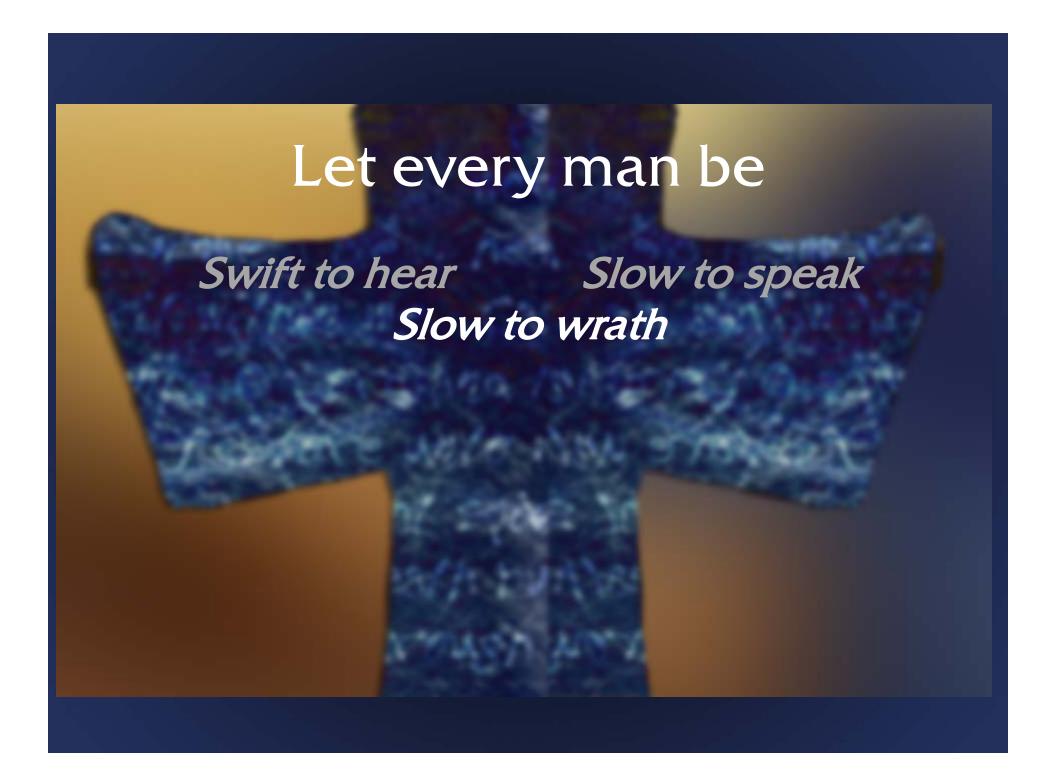
How many ears and mouths do your mom or dad have?



We have two ears and one mouth so that we can listen twice as much as we speak. Epictetus



The word
LISTEN
contains
the same letters
as the word
SILENT.



### Let every man be

Swift to hear Slow to speak Slow to wrath

Wrath = smoldering anger that holds a **grudge** against someone

#### Let every man be

Swift to hear Slow to speak
Slow to wrath

A man of great wrath will suffer punishment; For if you rescue him, you will have to do it again. (Proverbs 19:19)



Be angry, and do not sin: do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor give place to the devil. (Ephesians 4:26-27)



The wrath of mankind cannot produce a dynamic Christian life for you or for those around you.

## For the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God

A holy life never grows out of an angry spirit.

Bitterness never makes us better.

A hot temper never leads to higher ground.

## For the wrath of man does not produce the righteousness of God

Positive accomplishments for the Lord are never produced by angry passions.

The Phillips Translation says: Man's temper is never the means of achieving God's true goodness.