

# Smart People, Dumb Choices

## Hi, MY NAME IS DUMB

*Proverbs 30:2 I am too stupid to be human, and I lack common sense.*

### Three factors in making a \_\_\_\_\_

- The way we \_\_\_\_\_

*Esther 6:6 So Haman came in, and the king said, "What should I do to honor a man who truly pleases me?" Haman thought to himself, "Whom would the king wish to honor more than me?"*

- The way we \_\_\_\_\_

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*James 1:19 Understand this, my dear brothers and sisters: You must all be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry.*

### Ten \_\_\_\_\_ That Can Lead to Dumb Choices

*Esther 3:1-6 Some time later King Xerxes promoted Haman son of Hammedatha the Agagite over all the other nobles, making him the most powerful official in the empire. <sup>2</sup> All the king's officials would bow down before Haman to show him respect whenever he passed by, for so the king had commanded. But Mordecai refused to bow down or show him respect.*

*<sup>3</sup> Then the palace officials at the king's gate asked Mordecai, "Why are you disobeying the king's command?" <sup>4</sup> They spoke to him day after day, but still he refused to comply with the order. So they spoke to Haman about this to see if he would tolerate Mordecai's conduct, since Mordecai had told them he was a Jew.*

*<sup>5</sup> When Haman saw that Mordecai would not bow down or show him respect, he was filled with rage. <sup>6</sup> He had learned of Mordecai's nationality, so he decided it was not enough to lay hands on Mordecai alone. Instead, he looked for a way to destroy all the Jews throughout the entire empire of Xerxes.*

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*Ecclesiastes 7:9 Control your temper, for anger labels you a fool.*

*Proverbs 16:32 Better to be patient than powerful; better to have self-control than to conquer a city.*

### Make a smarter choice by:

- Seeing the \_\_\_\_\_

*Proverbs 14:29 People with understanding control their anger; a hot temper shows great foolishness.*

The biggest components for this are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Make the other world " \_\_\_\_\_ "

Consider the extended \_\_\_\_\_

Ask, "When did that \_\_\_\_\_?"

Consider unintended \_\_\_\_\_

- Not seeking \_\_\_\_\_

*Proverbs 17:13 If you repay good with evil, evil will never leave your house.*