



We cannot control people or the outcome of situations (Ecclesiastes 3:1-11, 7:13-14, 9:1-2.) We can only control our own thoughts, emotions, desires, words, and actions. (Romans 12:2-3, Proverbs 16:32, Psalm 37:4, Ephesians 4:29, 22-24) Therefore, we need to evaluate and take responsibility for how we are responding to people and the outcome of situations. (Galatians 6:7-8, 5:16-25) We need to evaluate what is motivating us with people and the outcome of situations. (James 1:13-14, 3:13-16, 4:1-3). Are we motivated by love for God above our selfish desires? Or, are we motivated by our selfish desires above love for God? (1John 2:15-16, James 4:4, James 3:16)

What Do You Want And How are You Responding?

1. I Want _____ from _____ :

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____

2. However, I end up getting _____ from _____ :

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____

3. As a result I tend to react negatively by:

a. In my thoughts I think things such as/ I feel things such as:

b. In my conversation I say things such as:

c. In my actions I tend to behave and live like:

d. In my relational patterns towards _____ I:

4. If I were to look at this from God's perspective He would probably view my reaction as:

5. Read James 3:13-4:10. Based upon this insight what are 6 key things you need to consider in regards to your situation?