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

“When You’re Out Of Control”

3 Areas Where We Struggle With Control:

Over our tongue...

Those who control their tongue will have a long life; opening your mouth can ruin everything.
– Proverbs 13:3 (NLT)

Over our anger...

People with understanding control their anger; a hot temper shows great foolishness. – Proverbs 14:29 (NLT)

Sensible people control their temper; they earn respect by overlooking wrongs. – Proverbs 19:11 (NLT)

Over our desires/addictions...

An evil man is held captive by his own sins; they are ropes that catch and hold him. **He will die for lack of self-control; he will be lost because of his great foolishness.** – Proverbs 5:22-23 (NLT)

Self-Control is our greatest personal shield.

A person without self-control is like a city with broken-down walls. – Proverbs 25:28 (NLT)

It’s a shield that protects our **good name**.

It’s a shield that protects **those around us**.

It’s a shield that protects our **future**.

Get honest or get humbled!

The most famous line of the Stupid is,
“It’s not that bad.”

The godly are directed by honesty; the wicked fall beneath their load of sin. – Proverbs 11:5 (NLT)

Invite some guardians into our lives.

Wounds from a sincere friend are better than many kisses from an enemy. – Proverbs 27:6 (NLT)

Surrender our lack of control to God daily.

Each time he said, “**My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness.**” So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me. – 2 Corinthians 12:9 (NLT)