
I Have To Get Over It!

Part 3

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Living as Children of God

2 Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.

3 And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

1 John 3:2-3, NKJV

Offense Defined

It is something that outrages the moral, emotional or physical senses, and the state of being insulted, disrespected, dishonored or demeaned by a close family member, a friend or an enemy.

Two Categories of Offended People

1) Those who have actually been mistreated, harmed or injured.

- By abusive People (verbal, emotional or physical)
- An unfaithful Spouse (emotional or physical adultery)
 - Persecution from fellow Christians
 - Evil people in positions of authority
 - Betrayal by a family member or friend

Two Categories of Offended People

2) Those who feel they've been done wrong.

- May not have been mistreated at all.
- Very difficult to convince them an offense did not happen.
- Their perception becomes their reality.

An Offense Is A Mental and Emotional Stronghold in the Mind



4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)
5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

2 Corinthians 10:4-5, KJV



We Don't Have to Sign for the Offense Package!

- We can't stop the offense, but we can choose not to accept the package.
- We can't stop people from saying hurtful and offensive things.
- We can choose to not let what they say or do change the course of what God wants us to do.

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- When we give way to offenses, we give the offender and the devil control over our lives.
- One of the worst things we can do while in a offended state is make an emotional decision.
- The Holy Spirit will speak clearly to us, if we listen during those difficult times.

Don't Allow An Offense To Steal Your Future

Offense is a serious issue,
a weapon designed by the enemy
to rob you of God's best and steal
the future He has destined for
your life.

What is the Spiritual Significance of an Offense?

7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

8 We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;

9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;

2 Corinthians 4:7-9, KJV

What is the Spiritual Significance of an Offense?

10 always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body.

11 For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

12 So then death is working in us, but life in you.

2 Corinthians 4:10-12, NKJV



Pressing Toward the Goal

12 Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.

13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,

14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:12-14, NKJV