

OFFENSE

Offense shifts the way we _____.

BETRAYAL

Betrayal is the ultimate _____.

HATRED

To really hate something is to _____.

THEN WHAT?

An offended heart is the breeding ground for _____.

YOU, OFFENDED

The _____ the relationship, the greater the chance for _____.

WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO ME TODAY?

TALK IT OVER TOGETHER

Here's how to process this week's message together with your friends and family!

HERE ARE SOME QUESTIONS TO HELP YOU PROCESS THE MESSAGE:

1. Why would forgiveness be such an issue of faith?
 2. Why do we build walls when we've been hurt? How does that negatively impact our lives?
 3. Why does our love grow cold when we allow ourselves to become offended?
 4. Talk about isolation. Why do we try to isolate ourselves when we've been hurt? Why is that the last thing we need to do?
 5. You will have the opportunity to become offended. How can you use an offense to strengthen your relationships with others and Jesus?
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TAKE THE NEXT STEP

Have you walked into the trap?

Take a moment to pray:

- Jesus, I've walked into the trap of the enemy. You warned me, but I still didn't forgive. Please increase my faith! Help me to let go of past hurts, and to see the damage that holding on to this offense is causing to my soul.

Identify the offense...

- What offense are you carrying right now that needs to be dealt with immediately?
 - What offense do you need to start praying through to bring some healing, closure, and reconciliation?
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SCRIPTURES TO THINK ABOUT THIS WEEK:

"And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another. Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. But he who endures to the end shall be saved."
Matthew 24:10-13
