



HEART & SOUL SERIES - Bonus Message: "UNOFFENDABLE"

Cultivating an unoffendable heart _____ God
and brings us a lifetime of _____.

"And I will give you A NEW HEART, and I will put a new spirit in you. I will take out your stony, stubborn heart and give you a tender, responsive heart." Ezekiel 36:26 (NLT)

"Great PEACE have they which love thy law: and NOTHING SHALL OFFEND THEM." Psalm 119:165 (KJV)

WHAT TRIGGERS OFFENSE IN OUR LIVES?

- Oversights and errors
- Personality clashes
- Misplaced expectations
- Sins and injustices
- A spirit of offense

Justice is born from _____,
not berating an opponent.

THE DEVASTATING EFFECTS OF OFFENSE

"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. And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come." Matthew 24:10-14 (NKJV)

- Betrayal
- Hatred
- Deception
- Lawlessness
- Spiritual Collapse

HOW TO RECEIVE AN UNOFFENDABLE HEART

1. Choose to cultivate Christlike _____

"Be kind to each other, TENDERHEARTED, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you." Ephesians 4:32 (NLT)

2. Choose to _____ and be reconciled

"Finally, all of you should be of one mind. Sympathize with each other. Love each other as brothers and sisters. Be tenderhearted, and keep a humble attitude. Don't repay evil for evil. Don't retaliate with insults when people insult you. Instead, pay them back with a blessing. That is what God has called you to do, and he will grant you his blessing." 1 Pet. 3:8-9

Offense is a _____ and so is forgiveness.

Jesus said, "Father, FORGIVE them, for they don't know what they are doing." Luke 23:34 (NET)

3. Choose to _____ your case to God

"When they hurled their insults at him, he did not retaliate; when he suffered, he made no threats. Instead, he ENTRUSTED himself to him who judges justly." 1 Peter 2:23 (NIV)

In times of injustice, _____
to define who you really are.

FATHER GOD, Thank you for the peace and healing you offer. Forgive me for allowing offense to harden my heart. I ask you to soften my heart, and teach me to follow Jesus daily into life and peace. In Christ's Name, AMEN

GATHER, GROW AND GO WITH US IN GROW GROUPS

Open Up: Do you consider us to be living in the end times? If so, Why?

Share Scriptures: Let different members share a verse or idea from this teaching that impacted them personally. What does it mean for them?

Talk It Over: What touches you most about God's forgiveness? Why?

Pray Together: Pray that each person will be free from all offenses.