

CROSS CHURCH



FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 01, 2026
**THE DIRTY TRUTH
ABOUT LOVE: PART 3 -
THE BAIT OF OFFENSE**

EPHESIANS 6:10-12 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

HOW TO AVOID THE BAIT OF OFFENSE:

LUKE 17:1-6 Then said he unto the disciples, It is impossible but that offences will come: but woe unto him, through whom they come! It were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he cast into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones. Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him. And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him. And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith. And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you.

1. Prepare for the Offenses.

LUKE 17:1 Then said he unto the disciples, **It is impossible but that offences will come:** but woe unto him, through whom they come!

LUKE 17:3 **Take heed to yourselves:** If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him.

2. Confront the Wrong.

YOU WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO RELEASE WHAT YOU CANNOT CONFRONT.

LUKE 17:4 And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.

3. Forgive, Forgive, and Keep Forgiving.

MATTHEW 6:12 And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

LUKE 17:5-6 And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith. And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you.

4. Increase My Faith.

HEBREWS 12:15 See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no **“root of bitterness”** springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become de iled;

5. You Will Never Feel Forgiven Until You Learn How To Forgive.



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