



Stand Alone Message

Title: Living Un-offendable | Teacher: Ryan Leak

Sermon Questions for 10.29.2023

Opener

What is an opinion you hold that you think very few would see it the same way that you do?

Read

Matthew 18:21-33; Romans 5:6; Matthew 5:23-24; Matthew 5:43; Colossians 3:13;

Main Points

1. There is a way of living where we make a decision to be un-offendable.
 - a. Being un-offendable doesn't mean we are impervious to the things people say and do - it is about making a decision to not stay offended.
2. Recognize our own need to be forgiven.
 - a. Forgiven people forgive people. It's a part of who we are!
3. Extend the same grace that has been extended to you.
 - a. Forgiven people have a responsibility to forgive. Just because someone in our life may be offensive, doesn't mean we have to get offended.
4. Learn to disagree without disrespect.

Engage with God in a Group

- When was a time you either purposely or accidentally offended someone?
- How have you learned to handle offenses in your life?
- What would it look like, in your life and the relationships that you have, to choose to not hold on to offenses?
- What thoughts come to mind when you hear, "pray for those who persecute you"?
- Who might God want to extend forgiveness, love, and hope to through you?

Bottom Line

While hurtful actions may offend me in the moment, I won't let a one-time offense cause me a lifetime of pain.