No Offense
Stop Being Offended
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'You must understand this, my beloved brothers and sisters: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger, for human anger does not produce God's righteousness.'– James 1:19-20

Is being offended _____ to God?

God has _____ to say about being offended and the _____ to that offense.

One of the reasons we are so _____ offended is because we _____ listen to one another.

We need to be _____ to listen and _____ to anger.

Anger _____ bring about the righteousness or the _____ living that God desires.

Anger is _____ pleasing to God and it does _____ honor God.

Living a life of being constantly _____ is not how God wants us to live.

Being _____ to listen, _____ to speak and _____ to become angry is actually how Jesus lived.

Jesus was asked _____ questions in the Bible. He answered ____. He asked _____ questions Himself.

Jesus asked these questions to _____ people into conversation and dialogue.

Jesus did ____ point out specific laws and commandments and say _____ are the rules you have to follow.

We need to _____ being offended and angry and _____ learning to listen well and love others.

This _____ mean we have to let go of our personal views and beliefs.

2 things that can help us let go of the anger that comes with being offended:

1. _____ your expectations of others.

   We humans are not _____ after all.

   You are _____ to offend, disappoint, or hurt someone in your own life as well.

   Jesus was never _____ or offended by the people he met.

2. _____ your gratitude for God's grace

   We need _____ grace and mercy.

   The _____ way any of us are right with God is because God makes it possible through _____ grace.

We really do not have a _____ to be offended by what others have said or done.

_____ people don't make a difference and don't draw people to Jesus.

Reflect on these questions this week:

- Which do you struggle with: quick to listen, slow to speak, or slow to become angry?
- What offends, or angers, you today? How can you drop anger and be like Jesus in those situations?
- In what ways have you experienced God's love and grace?