

Freedom From Offense – 4  
“Offense at God – 2”

Acts 24:16 (KJV) Paul

Matthew 11:6 (KJV) John the Baptist

[Why People Get Offended at God ]

1. Misunderstanding of curses under the law  
Deuteronomy 28:15 (ref) Romans 4:15 (ref)

II Corinthians 3 (ref) Old Covenant Law  
Administration of condemnation and death

New Covenant grace  
Administration of righteousness and the Spirit  
Galatians 3:13 (KJV)

NOTE: Romans 5:13 (KJV)  
Examples of righteous judgment before law

1. Genesis 6:17-18 (flood)
2. Genesis 11:8-9 (tower of Babel)
3. Genesis 19:24-27 (Sodom & Gomorrah)

Examples under grace

1. Acts 5 (Ananias & Saphira)
2. Acts 12:23 (Herod ate up with worms)
3. I Peter 4 (destruction of Jerusalem and the temple) 70 AD

2. Unprepared for Christian sufferings

Three Categories of Suffering

1. Jesus as our substitute (I Peter 2:24)
2. Consequences of bad decisions and actions on our part and others (Galatians 6:6-9)
3. Christian suffering  
I Peter 4:12-19 (ref)  
I Peter 2:19-23 (KJV)  
Philippians 3:10 (KJV)
  - II Timothy 3:12 / John 16:33 / Matthew 7:24-27
  - Hardships / trials / tribulations /afflictions

3. Offended at grace  
Romans 9:30-33 (KJV)

Salvation without works is offensive to someone who is looking to their holiness to be saved.

Titus 3:5-8 (KJV)

Vs. 8 (KJV)

Matthew 5:16 (ref) / Hebrews 12:14 (ref)

Ex. – woman caught in adultery (John 8)

John 8:4-12 (KJV)

John 1:14 ..... full of grace and truth

Proverbs 11:1 (ref)

Proverbs 17:15 (ref)

I Corinthians 1:17-24 (KJV)

Jews (the religious) = stumblingblock

Greeks (philosophers) = foolishness

Us (believers) = power of God and wisdom of God

Luke 15:1-2 (KJV)

1. Lost sheep

2. Lost coin

3. Lost son

vs. 25-32 (Elder son represents the Pharisees and scribes)

4. Disobedience to truth (word)

I Peter 2:1-8 (KJV)

5. False perception of favoritism

Matthew 20:1-16 (penny a day?) (ref)

6. Finality of the Cross

John 19:30 (ref)

“It is finished.”