

## **When You are Offended**

Series: Living Free from the Trap of Offense  
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Text: Luke 15:25-30

The tragedy of an offended spirit.

### **The Characteristics of An Offended Spirit**

#### **Anger....**

*The older brother became angry and refused to go in*

#### **Isolation....**

*The older brother became angry and refused to go in*

#### **Self-pity.**

***But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. Luke 15:29***

***Accusation...But when this son of yours comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!' Luke 15:30***

### **The Curse of An Offended Spirit**

A curse is Barrenness....*The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him.. Luke 15:28*

Another curse is Joylessness...*Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. Luke 15:25*

### **The Cure Of An Offended Spirit**

*My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. Luke 15:31*

The Father's presence

The Father's provision

*In your presence there is fullness of joy. At your right hand there are pleasures forever more. – Psalms 16:11*

