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our identity in Christ

Part 9 Anger, Bitterness, and Forgiveness March 26, 2023

Ephesians 4:31 – 5:1-2

Ephesians 4:1

- **What is my response to the gospel?**

Ephesians 4:2-3

If I understand the work of the gospel in my life, then I am more likely to respond properly through my actions.

- **Is my anger really that big of a deal?**

Matthew 5:44-47

I am loving you because of His love for me.

Matthew 5:48 .

James 1:17

The devil's goal is not to make me angry but to shift where I place my hope.

- **What does unresolved anger do to my heart over time?**

Hebrews 12:14-15

Bitterness –

“And by it many become defiled”

Bitterness is a sin that does not feel sinful when committed.

- **How do I break free from my anger and bitterness?**

Ephesians 4:32-5:1-2

God is calling us to move past the theology of forgiveness to enjoying being an agent of that very same forgiveness that we have been granted in Christ.

Romans 12:19 (NIV) Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.

If you hold a grudge, you doubt the judge. (John Piper)

In whom do, I hope?



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