

**“An offended brother is more unyielding than a fortified city, and disputes are like the barred gates of a citadel.”**

**(Proverbs 18:19)**



God's Word is teaching us new things to avoid so that life will become easy and smooth.

The Holy Spirit will always direct us and make us aware of the things that we need to know in order to avoid them so that we will be spared unnecessary troubles.

**An offended brother is more unyielding than a fortified city:** If we had done wrong and we ignited the anger of a brother, then to approach him and come near to him it will be a very difficult matter. Certain times we are not aware of what we had done wrong or what we had spoken badly. So we need to go, humbling ourselves, apologize and explain things clearly.

Certain times we had been misunderstood or we had been betrayed and slandered by someone who tries to do evil and separate between brothers. In such a case God will help us and the Holy Spirit will direct us of what we need to do and how to move. God will provide the evidences that help us, and Himself will support us to be vindicated.

Today the Word of God it teaches us not to offend people especially brothers. If the water is fall down then how we can gather it again? God's Word describes the offended brother as **more unyielding than a fortified city**. In regard to the fortified city, the more

the army will fight to open it, the more the city will be fighting back to protect itself. But by asking peace and stop war and fights, the closed city will be opened. And as we seek peace, opportunities will be opened and reconciliation will come through.

**And disputes are like the barred gates of a citadel** If there is already a problem and there are already people who get offended and got upset, the more you argue and dispute the more they will be upset and unyielding. They will be more closed as barred gates of the citadel.

The situation calls for more wisdom and humility. We need to humble ourselves before God and ask Him to lead us into the right steps. This may include to apologize and ask forgiveness and give the respect, and to restitute and return back what is due to the offended brother.

Let us comply with God, and let us get a sound teaching from His throne not to offend others as we agree to pray.

**I'm sorry!**



**My Prayer**

**Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord forgives me my anger and all the unsuitable words that I had spoken. Lord cleanse me from all that. Direct me and teach me your ways how to go and humble down and apologize and reconcile with those that I had offended. This all I ask and pray in Jesus name Amen.**



**“My son, if you have put up security for your neighbor, if you have struck hands in pledge for another, if you have been trapped by what you said, ensnared by the words of your mouth, then do this, my son, to free yourself, since you have fallen into your neighbor's hands: Go and humble yourself; press your plea with your neighbor! Allow no sleep to your eyes, no slumber to your eyelids. Free yourself, like a gazelle from the hand of the hunter, like a bird from the snare of the fowler.”**

**(Proverbs 6:1-5)**

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**“Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift.”**

**(Matthew 5:23-24)**