

UNOFFENDABLE – WEEK 10 – CH.19-20

1. The word “ministry” means to come alongside someone. What has been the biggest season of struggle for you? What did the actions and/or words of others mean to you during that time?
2. If you are to come along side of someone, how can you tell if they just need someone to listen to them, or if they are looking for direction?
3. Brant recognized that he is socially awkward, yet he doesn’t like it, and says he is trying to change it. Why is it important to search out your own weaknesses? What should you do with those weaknesses? II Cor. 12:9
4. “Choosing to be unoffendable out of love for others is ministry. And real ministry forces us to abandon our relentless search for approval from others.” How can you minister to others that causes God to be glorified and not yourself?
5. How do we determine our motives for service? Read I Peter 4:10 What does it mean to be a steward right where you are today?
6. Describe a time in your life when you received something you didn’t deserve. How did you feel? What was your response? Why do we need to feel like we need to “help” God?
7. What do you say to a “good person” who thinks that they will receive a heavenly reward for their actions? How can we accept the grace from God in this one-sided gift?

READ LUKE 10:25-37

8. Who challenged Jesus? Why does the lawyer want to know what Jesus teaching is? What are the two great commandments? Who answered the question given by the lawyer?
9. Jesus is not teaching works as a means of salvation here; He is actually teaching that law keeping and doing good works cannot save anyone, because no one can keep the law perfectly. Why is this unsettling to the lawyer?
10. How do you think the lawyer would have responded to the question, “Who is my neighbor?” Who is your neighbor? What do you and your neighbor have in common?
11. In the parable of the Good Samaritan, we see an opportunity disguised as an interruption. Describe in your own life ways that opportunities for service may not be obvious.
12. What spiritual principles does this parable teach?

Bible Memory: Ephesians 2:8-9 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—

Joy: God has given us gifts that we can use to minister to others!