

"Unoffendable"
Summer Reading - Part 8
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**What does God's Word say about how
Christians should view offenses?**

Romans 12:17-18 (CSB) **17** "Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Give careful thought to do what is honorable in everyone's eyes. **18** If possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone."

**1. Christians should view offenses in light of
Christ's payment.**

Ephesians 4:32 (CSB) "And be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving one another, just as God also forgave you in Christ."

Romans 12:19 (CSB) "Friends, do not avenge yourselves; instead, leave room for God's wrath, because it is written, *Vengeance belongs to me; I will repay*, says the Lord."

**2. Christians should view offenses in light of
God's judgment.**

Romans 12:20-21 (CSB) **20** "But if your enemy is hungry, feed him. If he is thirsty, give him something to drink. For in so doing you will be heaping fiery coals on his head. **21** Do not be conquered by evil, but conquer evil with good."

Romans 12:2 (CSB) "Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God."

**3. Christians should view offenses in light of
God's goodness.**

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 (CSB) **17** "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, and see, the new has come! **18** Everything is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and has given us the ministry of reconciliation. **19** That is, in Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and he has committed the message of reconciliation to us. **20** Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us. We plead on Christ's behalf, "Be reconciled to God." **21** He made the one who did not know sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God."