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### Fall Bible Study 2026

MID-WEEK WORSHIP and STUDY Tuesday and Wholeness Wednesday  
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The truths in this book helped me to see many things:

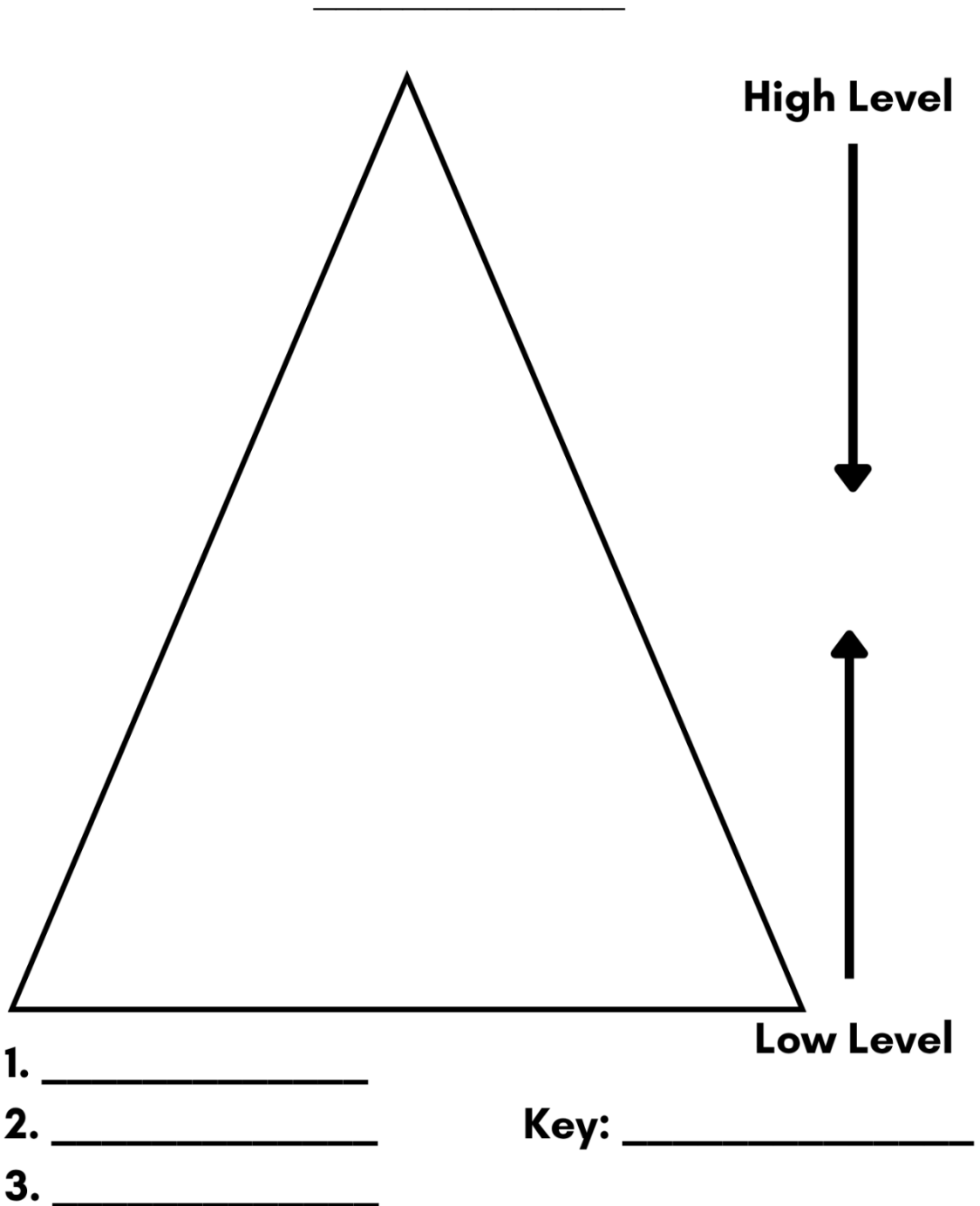
1. Offenses are \_\_\_\_\_.

#### **Luke 17:1**

“Then said he unto the disciples, **It is impossible but that offences will come: but woe unto him, through whom they come!**”

Offense - trap-stick, snare \_\_\_\_\_, an  
occasion to fall, stumble or stumbling block

**Question: What causes offenses to stick?**



Offenses are both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

The job of Satan is to bait us into offenses by planting bait. \_\_\_\_\_  
forms the strategies of the enemy is which is both subtle and blatant.

Offenses: acts that cause hurt, pain or some level of discomfort.

The offense is not the major focus; it is what the offense produces:

**A.** \_\_\_\_\_

**B.** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

➤ Hurt

➤ Anger

➤ Outrage

➤ Jealousy

➤ Resentment

➤ Strife

➤ Bitterness

➤ Hatred

➤ Envy

➤ Doubt

➤ Death

The Fruit or Manifestation: \_\_\_\_\_

- Insults
  
- Attacks
  
- Wounding
  
- Division
  
- Separation
  
- Broken relationships
  
- Betrayal
  
- Backsliding
  
- Self-destruction

Jesus was addressing one of two types of thinking:

➤ \_\_\_\_\_ - unaware of how life works

➤ \_\_\_\_\_ - “ I am just going to stay to myself

2. Offenses are performed by \_\_\_\_\_

**Psalm 55:12-14**

<sup>12</sup> For *it was* not an enemy *that* reproached me; then I could have borne *it*: neither *was it* he that hated me *that* did magnify *himself* against me; then I would have hid myself from him:

<sup>13</sup> But *it was* thou, a man mine equal, my guide, and mine acquaintance.

<sup>14</sup> We took sweet counsel together, *and* walked unto the house of God in company.

The spirit of offense has to have \_\_\_\_\_.

More than often those doors are based upon \_\_\_\_\_.

## Attachments:

- \_\_\_\_\_ - these are God-ordained and God-inspired. They are for the purpose of building up and proving strength.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ - these relationships are the ones we are born into. They can be helpful if they are healthy.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ - these relationships are ones that we pick for personal reasons.

All attachments make us \_\_\_\_\_. Vulnerability makes us open to offenses. It is easy for the spirit of offense to rest upon us because attachments come with expectations.

“The more we expect, the greater the potential offense.”

3. Offenses can \_\_\_\_\_.

## 2 Timothy 2:25-26

<sup>25</sup> In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;

<sup>26</sup> And *that* they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

One of the hardest realities to face is that offenses carry with them some type of \_\_\_\_\_.

What we fail to understand is that \_\_\_\_\_ or

\_\_\_\_\_ only empowers the offenses.

Your future doesn't start when you say it starts.

Your future is already in the making. So shape your future by being open to:

➤ - Meekness \_\_\_\_\_

➤ - Repentance \_\_\_\_\_

➤ - Recovery \_\_\_\_\_

4. Offenses can be \_\_\_\_\_

### **Luke 17:3-5**

<sup>3</sup> Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him.

<sup>4</sup> And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.

<sup>5</sup> And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.

In order to overcome something  
(\_\_\_\_\_), you must know the root  
or origin of it.

What many of us may not know is  
that faith works the same way.

Offense starts as \_\_\_\_\_

Faith starts as a \_\_\_\_\_

Looks for \_\_\_\_\_

Looks for an \_\_\_\_\_

Manifests itself \_\_\_\_\_

Manifests itself in the \_\_\_\_\_

Bears \_\_\_\_\_

Bears \_\_\_\_\_

Takes on \_\_\_\_\_

Takes on \_\_\_\_\_

Life \_\_\_\_\_

Life \_\_\_\_\_

## Hebrews 11:1 and 12

<sup>1</sup>“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”

<sup>12</sup>“Therefore sprang there even of one, and him as good as dead, *so many* as the stars of the sky in multitude, and as the sand which is by the sea shore innumerable.”

In the times of offense, a decision must be made between the offense or faith.

Offense can \_\_\_\_\_ or your

\_\_\_\_\_.