## ~OFFEND (275)

[English, hurt someones feelings, upset, affront, insult, be rude to, cause offense]

- Moses warned Israel not to make idol images when they entered the Promised Land, so as to offend Yehowah God.
- In case you become father to sons and grandsons and you have resided a long time in the land and do act ruinously and do make a carved image, a form of anything, and do commit evil in the eyes of Yehowah your God so as to offend him. (Deuteronomy 4:25)
- Moses fasted for forty days a second time, over the sin of Israel with which they had offended their God.
- And I proceeded to prostrate myself before Yehowah, as at first, forty days and forty nights. I neither ate bread nor drank water, because of all your sin that you had committed in doing evil in the eyes of Yehowah so as to offend him. (Deuteronomy 9:18)
- Moses prophesied that Israel would turn away from serving Yehowah God after entering the Promised Land, and that they would offend him with their works.
- For I well know that after my death you will without fail act ruinously, and you will certainly turn aside from the way about which I have commanded you, and calamity will be bound to befall you at the close of the days, because you will do what is bad in the eyes of Yehowah so as to offend him by the works of your hands. (Deuteronomy 31:29)
- Israel time and again offended their God by worshipping idols of wood and stone, and so Yehowah God promised to offend them with a stupid nation to the point of jealousy.
- They, for their part, have incited me to jealousy with what is no god. They have vexed me with their vain idols. And I, for my part, shall incite them to jealousy with what is no people. With a stupid nation I shall offend them. (Deuteronomy 32:21)
- But you began to act worse than all those who happened to be

- prior to you, and you went and made for yourself another god and molten images to offend me, and it is I whom you have cast behind your back. (1 Kings 14:9)
- And Ahab went on to make the sacred pole, and Ahab came to do more to offend Yehowah the God of Israel than all the kings of Israel that happened to be prior to him. (1 Kings 16:33)
- And there on all the high places they continued to make sacrificial smoke the same as the nations whom Yehowah had taken into exile because of them, and they kept doing bad things to offend Yehowah. (2 Kings 17:11)
- Wicked practices like child sacrifice were practiced by the Israelites, divination and looking for omens, for they had sold themselves to do badness, thus offending deeply their God.
- And they continued to make their sons and their daughters pass through the fire and to practice divination and to look for omens, and they kept selling themselves to do what was bad in the eyes of Yehowah, to offend him. (2 Kings 17:17)
- And he made his own son pass through the fire, and he practiced magic and looked for omens and made spirit mediums and professional foretellers of events. He did on a large scale what was bad in Yehowah's eyes, to offend him. (2 Kings 21:6)
- Due to the fact that they have left me and have gone making sacrificial smoke to other gods in order to offend me with all the work of their hands, and my rage has been set afire against this place and will not be extinguished. (2 Kings 22:17)
- Nevertheless, Yehowah did not turn back from the great burning of his anger, with which his anger burned against Judah over all the offensive things with which Manasseh had made them offend. (2 Kings 23:26)
- And he himself made his own sons pass through the fire in the valley of the son of Hinnom, and practiced magic and used divination and practiced sorcery and made spiritistic mediums and professional foretellers of events. He did on a grand scale what was bad in the eyes of Yehowah, to offend him. (2 Chronicles 33:6)

- Due to the fact that they have left me and gone making sacrificial smoke to other gods, in order to offend me with all the doings of their hands and that my rage may pour forth upon this place and not be extinguished. (2 Chronicles 34:25)
- Yehowah had originally driven other nations out of the Promised Land, because of their badness, and given it to his people.
- And Yehowah of armies himself, the Planter of you, has spoken against you a calamity on account of the badness of the house of Israel and the house of Judah that they have committed on their own part to offend me in making sacrificial smoke to Baal. (Jeremiah 11:17)
- Walking after other gods can take many different forms. Men make gods of all sorts of things, and anything to which one willingly bows, as a master, becomes his god. Jehovah's Witnesses bow to their Governing Body by putting their ideas and teachings, even above Bible truths. They also bow to the Baal or Master, of Growth, fertility. They worship mere men, when they dole out prominence, privilege and power, to anyone who willingly worships them. All of this offends Yehowah God.
- And do not walk after other gods in order to serve them and to bow down to them, that you may not offend me with the work of your hands, and that I may not cause calamity to you. (Jeremiah 25:6)
- Likewise today, Jehovah's Witnesses also refuse to even listen to Yehowah's plan, as clearly laid out in the Bible, and clarified for them through many books by the Son of Man, God's true servant. They keep on offending Yehowah by the works of their hands, and by going against his counsel. Thus they are storing up only a calamity for themselves.
- But you did not listen to me, is the utterance of Yehowah; to the intent that you might offend me with the work of your hands, for calamity to yourselves. (Jeremiah 25:7)
- Look at the entire history of ancient Israel, and you will be amazed by the corruption and outright badness, exposed by the Bible record. Their entire national structure was riddled by corruption, and false religious practice.

- They listened only to false prophets, and persecuted those who spoke in Yehowah's name, who carried an unpopular message. They were truly not Yehowah's servants, but they served the popular course, and the will of the self-indulgent and law-defying people. They proved themselves offensive to their God of righteousness.
- On account of all the badness of the sons of Israel and of the sons of Judah that they have done to offend me, they, their kings, their princes, their priests and their prophets, and the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem. (Jeremiah 32:32)
- These things were done to Judah and her leaders, because of their continued the worship of idols, and filled Jerusalem with false worship. They were in a covenant relationship with Yehowah, and whether they liked it or not, he would continue to lead them and demand their loyalty. Just like a man expects the loyalty of his wife, through good times and bad.
- It is because of their badness that they did in order to offend me by going and making sacrificial smoke and rendering service to other gods whom they themselves had not known, neither you nor your forefathers. (Jeremiah 44:3)
- Is it a light thing, to worship mere men, love prominence, take titles to them and worship growth? They have also filled the land, their spiritual estate, with violence by removing young anointed ones. Through all of this they hold the shoot, of new growth, out to God's nose by saying, God is with us for we are growing so fast. They are detestable, and offensive to Yehowah!
- And he went on to say to me; Have you seen this, O son of man? Is it such a light thing to the house of Judah to do the detestable things that they have done here, that they have to fill the land with violence and that they should offend me again, and here they are thrusting out the shoot to my nose? (Ezekiel 8:17)
- Egypt was known for its oppression of God's people. The Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses have prostituted themselves to Egypt by using oppressive tactics and policies against newly anointed sons in her midst. This is an offense to Yehowah God their spiritual father. They also dominate oppressively over all by saying that only their understanding is right and everything else is apostasy. Thus they lord it over their brothers oppressively.

- And you went prostituting yourself to the sons of Egypt, your neighbors great of flesh, and you continued making your prostitution abound in order to offend me. (Ezekiel 16:26)
- Those who have ruled this wicked system will become something offensive to many peoples for they have oppressed and dominated over others and worked along with Satan to harm mankind. When they are taken as captives and spread among the nations many hearts will be offended
- And I will offend the heart of many peoples when I bring the captives from you among the nations to lands that you have not known. (Ezekiel 32:9)