

JOHN'S FIRST EPISTLE - Part XVIII

"The Problem of Resentment"

Reference: **I John 3:11-12**

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These statements are a direct reference to **Genesis four** where the historical account of **Cain** and **Abel** is recorded.

Genesis 4:1-8 (see screen)

Reference: **Jude 11**; **Proverbs 21:27** (see screen)

Cain's offering represents the religion of
"human self-_____."

Abel's offering represents the religion of
"substitutional _____."

Definition: The principle of **substitutional sacrifice** means an
_____ must be sacrificed on behalf
of the sinner in order for him to receive forgiveness from sin!

Reference: **John 8:44** (see screen)

Definition: **Resentment** is bitter indignation at having been
_____ that we feel we deserved.

Formula: _____ + _____ = _____

Reference: **Hebrews 12:15** (see screen)

SOME STEPS TO RESOLVING RESENTMENT/BITTERNESS

ONE... _____ that we have resentment and bitterness.

TWO... _____ our resentment and bitterness to God.

Reference: **I John 1:9** (see screen)

THREE... if the person we're resentful and bitter toward is actually guilty
of an offense (remember some aren't) then forgive them in a

_____ **sense** and wait for them to confess their
fault to us so we can then forgive them in a

_____ **sense**.

Transactional forgiveness occurs when an offender
confesses an offense and then _____
_____ from the offended.

Positional forgiveness occurs once the offense has
been committed because from that point on the offended
person is to assume an _____ or
_____ of forgiveness toward the offender.

Reference: **Ephesians 4:32** (see screen)

FOUR... forgive and _____ we forgave them.

Reference: **I Corinthians 13:5** (see screen)

In the Greek language, this phrase "*thinks no evil*" is the
word "*logidzomai*." *Logidzomai* was a word an ancient
accountant would use. It was a word a bookkeeper
would use and it meant to keep a mathematical
_____.