## Why do God loving people get their <u>FEELINGS hurt</u> so easy?

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**Carnal:** *adjective - relating to the physical desires.* 

How many times have you heard someone say: "But they hurt my feelings when they said," and this can be anywhere from," You are getting Paranoid," or "I like so-n-so better," or "I don't believe you," to renouncing you as a relative or a friend.

You expect this among people that do not believe or follow Jesus, but the ones that profess Jesus seem to have thinner skin than the Un-professing.

<u>Luke 9:23</u> And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

In other words you have the Choice to let it bother you or ignore it and give it to Jesus. Now most Christians won't even think of giving it to Jesus, after all he has better things to do than deal with your feelings. **WRONG**!

<u>1Peter 5:7</u> Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. Or is that just another scripture you believe is not a LITERAL direction.

The scripture below is a fulfillment of this scripture.

<u>1Corinthians 10:13</u> There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but GOD IS FAITHFUL, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also MAKE A WAY TO ESCAPE, that ye may be able to bear it. (BUT YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING) In other words, when you are tempted to have your feelings hurt, the first thing you do is rebuke the carnal nature (because your old man was buried at water baptism <u>Ro 6:4</u>), and then SAY, "I give these feelings or desires over to you Lord, they are yours now and not mine." Then **FORGET THEM** they no longer belong to you but to Jesus, unless you consider him a **LIAR?** When you first start to do this, your carnal nature will probably bock, but as you keep telling yourself and Satan that Gods word is true and he cannot lie <u>Tit 1:2</u>, It becomes second nature, and believe me there is nothing you cannot make peace with, concerning your temptations.

When I was growing up, my mother always told me, "That sticks and stones may break my bones but names will never hurt me." **NOW BELIEVE ME** as long as you use this directive and trust Jesus, it is absolutely **TRUE**.

The modern society that deals in **ME**, **SELF**, **I'M** the centre of my universe, say it is what deforms our society. IF you trust man and the natural ways, **THEIR RIGHT**. You will have a warped mind and have nothing to look forward to but heart felt pain and suffering, lawsuits, bitterness and hard feelings.

Whereas if you trust and try the Lords way, you have total peace and joy within your heart and soul. And the Great part about it, is that it only takes as long as it takes you to give it To Jesus.

Feelings are very similar to the bark on a tree, I have had the opportunity to travel in many of the forests we have, and I have observed that some trees are very thin skinned, In other words their outer bark is thin. The Birch, Popular, Spruce and Pine are easily damaged. If the foresters happen to scape one of these trees with their machinery, it will usually die. But on the other hand, the Giant Redwoods of California, have thick skin, their outer bark can be six inches in depth. I seen one of these trees that a lumber truck had hit it and tore off a good 4-5 inches and this looked like it had happened years ago, but the tree wasn't damaged or sickly looking at all.

This is the thick skin that Christians are supposed to have, (feelings) especially since God has made the way of escape for us. But of course we go through the same trials and temptations as the unGodly but we have a way of escape the world doesn't have. The one BIG thing is though, **WE HAVE TO ACT UPON IT**, God won't do anything unless we appropriate it by faith in him and his word.

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