

**THE OFFENSIVENESS OF JESUS**  
**(King Jesus: The Gospel of Matthew- Part 33)**  
**October 4, 2020**

Matthew 13:53-58

verse 57- *"And they took offense at him..."*

**Jesus Offends** \_\_\_\_\_

"Offense"- *skandalon*= \_\_\_\_\_ - 1 Pt. 2:8

The Exclusive/ \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus

**So What?**

Make sure it's \_\_\_\_\_ offensiveness that's offensive

Make sure you're not \_\_\_\_\_ offense at Jesus

\_\_\_\_\_ the offensiveness of Jesus

**Life Group Questions for the Week of October 4, 2020**

1. Looking back at your notes from this Sunday's message, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

2. Why do many today believe the exclusivity of Jesus ("no one comes to the Father except through me- John 14:6) is very offensive?

3. Jesus isn't afraid to say the hard, offensive things. In addition to the exclusivity of Jesus, what are other things about Jesus, the gospel and his teaching you see people "taking offense" at today?

4. In your own life, have Jesus' words ever made you consider walking away from him? If so, what words were they?

5. John 1:14 says Jesus was full of grace and truth. Following his example, Ephesians 4:15 says we are to speak the truth in love.

Discuss practical ways we can ensure we have the right balance between sharing the "offensive" truths of Jesus and the gospel with gentleness, kindness and a genuine care for others, knowing they will live forever.