

REFLECTIONS OF THE FATHER'S HEART

[Exhortations From The Father]

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* Unforgiveness, held to, in ANY of its forms [*bitterness, resentment, offense*], defiles one's spirit.

"unforgiveness" [*held to*] - the wilful refusal to forgive;

.... "*A little leaven leavens the whole lump of dough*".... Galatians 5:9 NASB

.... "*[Now having received the Holy Spirit [Who is the Spirit of Love], and being led and directed by Him] if you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven [released]; if you retain the sins of anyone, they [the effects of that sin] are retained [both in your life and in their life]*".... John 20:23 The Amplified Translation

.... "*Love [God's love in us] does not insist on its own rights or its own way, for it is not self-seeking; it is not touchy or fretful or resentful; it takes no account of the evil done to it [it pays no attention to a suffered wrong]*".... 1 Corinthians 13:5 The Amplified Translation

THEREFORE

.... "*Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no one will see the Lord. See to it that no one comes short of the grace of God; that no root of bitterness [unforgiveness, offense] springing up causes trouble, and by it many be defiled*".... Hebrews 12:14-15 NASB

.... "*Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit, [by] perfecting holiness in the fear [reverence] of God [thus allowing Him {through the precious Blood and the power of His Word} to expel {displace} every last ground of fear {unrighteousness}]*".... 2 Corinthians 7:1 NASB