Dealing with Offense: We Have a Choice!

	Someone offend	s me.
I tell people ALL about it.	OR [I go DIRECTLY to God in prayer.
How does this effect the listener	s?	How does God respond?
Then, they in about my offender.		I feel! The "need" to vent to others is gone.
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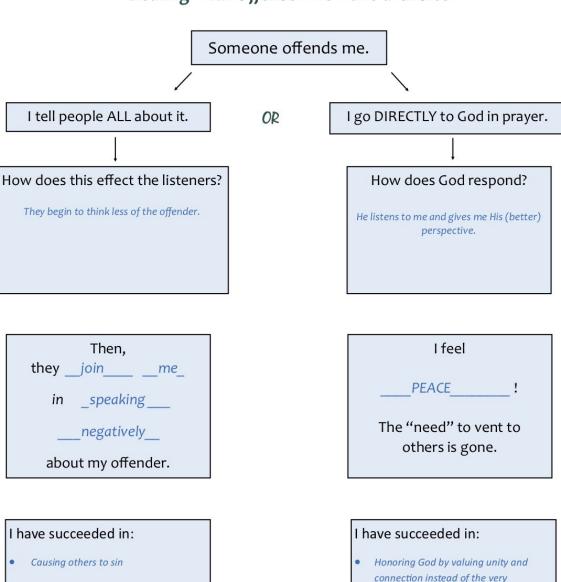
Coordinator Guide

Use this exercise to facilitate further discussion about dealing with offense.

Begin by reviewing the teaching video #BU—resistant. Ask the girls who saw the video to add what they remember.

Your group may come up with several answers other than the ones provided here. Explore them all! Encourage the group to look up and note scriptures that reinforce the Biblical response to dealing with offense.

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- Creating division in relationships
- Making myself more upset by rehashing the details over and over
- Directly, knowingly and willingly disobeying God's Word by reacting according to the flesh rather than submitting to the Spirit

 Honoring God by valuing unity and connection instead of the very temporary pleasure of gossiping and gaining sympathy from others