

TURNING THE BITTER WATERS SWEET

1. We get hurt by what is: Done to us; Said to us; Taken from us.
2. Bitterness develops from not forgiving & failing to appropriate the grace of God [Heb.12:15](#)
3. Called a root of bitterness because roots: spread; unseen; deep; clog; bring fruit
4. When a root of bitterness is there [James 3:11-14](#):
 - a. It takes over our thoughts/emotions
 - b. Filters our view of life
 - c. Springs up causing us trouble/defiles others
 - d. Demonic, fleshly, and worldly wisdom feed it
 - e. Can cause you to act irrationally and act out of character
5. It must be put away; it won't leave on its own [Eph. 4:31, 32](#)
6. [Exodus 15:22-25](#) God has the answer for every bitter thing