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Hebrews 12:15

 The <u>ROOT OF BITTERNESS</u> grows in the <u>SOIL OF HURT</u> that's not been dealt with properly.

When you pull a weed from the ground, if you don't get the **<u>ROOTS</u>**, the **<u>WEED WILL RETURN</u>**.

- It's the same with **BITTERNESS**
 - Ephesians 4:31-32
 - The only way to eliminate the root of bitterness is **FORGIVENESS**.

Luke 6:28

Matthew 5:43-44

- LOVE & PRAY for your enemies!

When we're told to pray for those who've hurt us, our prayers are as much for **OURSELVES** as they are for the **OFFENDER**!

- My prayers for others may or may not change them, but my prayers always change ME.

Colossians 3:13

- God has forgiven us FREELY & COMPLETELY without any strings attached.
 - That's how we're supposed to **FORGIVE OTHERS**.
 - Luke 11:4