

The Root
of Bitterness



- **Hebrews 12:12-17**
- From the Greek “pikria” - “a figurative term denoting that fretted and irritable state of mind that keeps a man in perpetual animosity - that inclines him to harsh and uncharitable opinions of men and things - that makes him sour, crabbed, and repulsive in his general demeanor - that brings a scowl over his face, and infuses venom into the words of his tongue” (John Eadie, Commentary on the Epistle to the Colossians, p. 357)
- **Genesis 27:42** – “...Esau comforts himself concerning you by intending to kill you.”

**What Does It Mean
To Be Bitter?**



The Seed:

- **Expecting The Ideal But Finding The Reality**
Proverbs 13:12; John 11

Springing Forth: James 3:7-16

- **A Passive-Aggressive Means Of Self-Defense**

The Fruit: Proverbs 6:16-19

- **Can Be Especially Destructive To Marriages**
Colossians 3:19

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Put It Away & Adopt Other Practices

Ephesians 4:31-32

Remember Who You Are

Ruth 1:20; 4:13-17

Join The Party

Luke 15

Uprooting Bitterness





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**Are You Becoming
Bitter Or Better?**