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DEFAULT PATTERNS  
Discussion Guide

### BIG IDEA

The Bible says it is certain that offenses will come to you. Is your default reaction to an offense hurting your relationship with God and others? Pastor Daniel reveals four patterns from the Bible you can use to break your default patterns when the inevitable offenses of life come your way.

### SCRIPTURES USED IN THE MESSAGE

- Philippians 3:13-14
- Luke 17:1 (HCSB)
- Romans 12:19
- Proverbs 16:28
- Matthew 18:15 (NLT)
- Proverbs 6:16-19
- Jeremiah 6:14 (MSG)
- Hebrews 12:15 (TLB)
- Luke 6:37-38 (GNB)
- Psalm 39:2-3 (NCV)
- James 5:16
- Matthew 5:43-44
- Ephesians 4:26-27 (NLT)
- Acts 8:23
- Acts 3:19

### TALK IT OVER

Choose questions that keep the discussion moving. No need to discuss every question.

- What is an offense? How do you respond when you are offended?
- How does your default pattern when offended affect your relationship with God and with others?
- What steps can you take to break a destructive pattern when someone offends you?
- Why is it important to acknowledge offenses? How does acknowledging your hurts and confessing your sins against one another begin the healing process?
- When was a time that you prayed for someone who has hurt, offended, or betrayed you? What happened?

### APPLICATION IDEAS

- Think of someone who has offended you. Write a prayer list for them and pray through that list this week.

### PRAYER FOCUS

At Lifepoint, we pray until something happens. Make time in every group meeting to pray for one another and the larger matters of concern to your group.

- Pray for those who have offended anyone in the group. Pray that God will provide the wisdom and courage for each member to change their default patterns to those that build their relationship with God and others.

### LEADER TIPS

- With each member's permission, provide a group contact list to your members so they can provide encouragement and support to one another during the week.