

landing guide

#57. HURT BY THE CHURCH

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CULTURE

& THE CHURCH

where we land

HELPFUL RESOURCES

Article: Desiring God | **"Did the Church Hurt You?"**

By Kristin Tabb | December 16, 2017

<https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/did-the-church-hurt-you>

Article: Christianity Today | **"What Is 'Spiritual' Abuse? A Working Definition"**

Scot McKnight | December 2, 2020

<https://www.christianitytoday.com/scot-mcknight/2020/december/what-is-spiritual-abuse-working-definition.html>

Article: The Gospel Coalition | **"Should We Stop Saying, 'The Church Hurt Me'?"**

Thabiti Anyabwile | June 17, 2013

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/blogs/thabiti-anyabwile/should-we-stop-saying-the-church-hurt-me/>

KEY SCRIPTURE TEXTS

Click the links below to look at key Scripture texts:

- [2 Timothy 4:10-18](#)
- [Luke 22:54-62](#)
- [1 Peter 2:19-24](#)
- [Luke 6:27-42](#)
- [1 John 2:9-11](#)
- [Matthew 18:15-35](#)
- [1 Corinthians 13:1-13](#)
- [1 Peter 5:7](#)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Why is church hurt particularly painful?
- What does the book of James tell us to embrace in order to give up bitterness? (James 4:6)
- What does it look like to release your hurt to the Lord? (Matthew 18:21-35)