

# Rejection

This word, according to Webster's dictionary suggests "substandard, cast off or out." In man's blinded disbelief, he rejected his own Creator, John 1:11 "*He came unto his own, and his own received him not.*" There is very little that hurts more than rejection. Indelible imprints are placed on the soul of the child who has to play second to his siblings. Playmates begin to snob their peers until they snap and sever anger begins to control or seek revenge. Some give in to the bully's game plan and become subservient. Once rejected, failure wants to print itself on the mind.

Growing up as an immigrant boy, I and my siblings were always different in terms of language, and clothes, and culture, which were grounds for much bullying. There were times when we responded, but have learned, to some degree to set our standards apart from those who denigrated us. Our goals are to be higher than the evaluations of men. Our evaluations are to be god-ward. Paul spoke well when he said, Galatians 1:10 "*For I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? For if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.*"

My goal and desire is to attain acceptance in God not man. God does not base my acceptance on my appearance, capability or lack of it! The cross is the common denominator where all humanity needs to appear. There all are accepted with no exception. The very fact of rejection may well lead you to He who, unconditionally has already accepted you. It is my God who sets me free and delivers me from all the hurts of rejection, which Jesus, who was rejected said; Luke 4:18 "*The spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor, he hath sent me to heal the broken hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised.*" Dear reader, heed His invitation and come to the Savior.

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