

PATH OF DEMANDINGNESS

**I DESIRE
+ I DESERVE
= I DEMAND**

DEMANDS INCREASE
I regroup and continue to demand that God meets my expectations.

EXPECTATIONS
I expect that God will control the people and circumstances in my life to meet my demands.
(Often these people and circumstances become idols in my life.)

DESPAIR
I give up; walk away from God or even contemplate suicide.

DEPRESSED
When my kingdom crashes I lose hope of God ever meeting my "perceived needs".
(My idols still do not fulfill.)

God is here to make my kingdom work



I pursue "idols"
I believe will satisfy and sustain me

DISAPPOINTED
I am disappointed when God does not meet my expectations. I become judgmental and critical of Him for failing me.
(My idols fail.)

ANGER
I am angry at God and may vent it on others or I turn anger inward.

RIGHTS/NEEDS
My expectations are revealed as a "right" or "need".
(God must ensure that my idols work!)

DISCOURAGED

When my kingdom crumbles I become self-focused and live in self-pity. I blame God because He did not meet my demands.
(I may look for new idols.)

Ungodly SADNESS/ANGER

When I am angry with God's plan for my life, I am really angry at the Planner!