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EPH 6:17 AND TAKE...THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT WHICH IS THE WORD OF GOD A CHURCH OF GOD IN WOODSTOCK, ILLINOIS





Proverbs 6:9-12 How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep? Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man. A naughty person, a wicked man, walketh with a froward mouth.



- אם בְּלִיַעל בּלוּיַעל b@liya`al bel-e-yah'-al (belial) from 1097 and 3276; without profit, worthlessness; by extension, destruction, wickedness (often in connection with 376, 802, 1121, etc.):—Belial, evil, naughty, ungodly (men), wicked. See Hebrew 1097 See Hebrew 3276 See Hebrew 376 See Hebrew 376 See Hebrew 802 See Hebrew 1121
- from an unused root perhaps meaning properly, to pant (hence, to exert oneself, usually in vain; to come to naught); strictly nothingness; also trouble. vanity, wickedness; specifically an idol:—affliction, evil, false, idol, iniquity, mischief, mourners(-ing), naught, sorrow, unjust, unrighteous, vain ,vanity, wicked(-ness). Compare 369. See Hebrew 369





Proverbs 6:13-15 He winketh with his eyes, he speaketh with his feet, he teacheth with his fingers; Frowardness is in his heart, he deviseth mischief continually; he soweth discord. Therefore shall his calamity come suddenly; suddenly shall he be broken without remedy. (4090 & 4066)



• Strong's Hebrew Dictionary 4090. מְּדָן m@dan מְדָן m@dan med-awn' a form of 4066:—discord, strife. See Hebrew 4066 Strong's Hebrew Dictionary 4066. מְדוֹן madown maw-dohn' from 1777; a contest or quarrel:—brawling, contention(-ous), discord, strife. Compare 4079, 4090. See Hebrew 1777 See Hebrew 4079 See Hebrew 4090



Proverbs 10:12 <u>Hatred stirreth up</u> strifes: but love covereth all sins.

- dis-cord
- 1. lack of concord or harmony between persons or things: marital discord.
- **2.** disagreement; difference of opinion.
- 3. strife; dispute; war.
- **4.** *Music.* an inharmonious combination of musical tones sounded together.
- 5. any confused or harsh noise; dissonance.

Synonyms 1–3. Conflict; struggle, controversy, antagonism, argument, contention, quarreling, enmity, bad feeling, ill feeling, bad blood



Proverbs 6:16-19 These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto him: A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief, A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren. [4090]



ANARCHY & CHAOS

The Joker: [Joker hands Two-Face a gun and points it at himself] Introduce a little anarchy. Upset the established order, and everything becomes chaos. I'm an agent of chaos. Oh and you know the thing about chaos, it's fair.





Ephesians 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.



The Good Farmer is a S.O.D.-BUSTER: He removes the weeds of discord and plants only good virtuous seed!



 Proverbs 28:25 He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.

• Proverbs 29:22 An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in transgression.



Proverbs 15:15-17 All the days of the afflicted are evil: but he that is of a merry heart *hath* a continual feast. Better is little with the fear of the LORD than great treasure and trouble therewith. Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and hatred therewith. Proverbs 15:18 A wrathful man stirreth up **strife**: but *he that is* slow to anger appeaseth strife.(4066)



Proverbs 16:27-30 An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire. A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends. A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good. He shutteth his eyes to devise froward things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass.



Proverbs 26:17-19 He that passeth by, and meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears. As a mad man who casteth firebrands, arrows, and death, So is the man that deceiveth his neighbour, and saith, Am not I in sport?



 Proverbs 26:20-22 Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceaseth. As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire; so is a contentious man to kindle **strife.** The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.



 Proverbs 26:23-25 Burning lips and a wicked heart are like a potsherd covered with silver dross. He that hateth dissembleth with his lips, and layeth up deceit within him; When he speaketh fair, believe him not: for there are seven abominations in his heart.



Proverbs 26:26-28 Whose hatred is covered by deceit, his wickedness shall be shewed before the whole congregation. Whoso diggeth a pit shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it will return upon him. A lying tongue hateth those that are afflicted by it; and a flattering mouth worketh ruin.





Proverbs 18:6-8 A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes. A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his soul. The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.



- 1 Peter 2:1 Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,
- Proverbs 23:6-8 Eat thou not the bread of him that hath an evil eye, neither desire thou his dainty meats: For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee. The morsel which thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose thy sweet words.



James 4:10-12 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up. Speak not evil one of another, brethren. He that speaketh evil of his brother, and judgeth his brother, speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge. There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?



Galatians 5:16-17 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.



Galatians 5:18-21 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of



Galatians 5:22-25 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.



- 1 Corinthians 5:5 To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.
- Proverbs 22:10 Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.





1 Corinthians 5:13

But them that are without God judgeth. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person.





Matthew 18:14-16 Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish. Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.



Matthew 18:17-18 And if he shall **neglect to hear them**, tell *it* unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican. Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.



- Titus 3:10 A man that is divisive after the first and second admonition reject;
 [KJV2000]
- 2 Thessalonians 3:14-15 And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him, that he may be ashamed. Yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother. [KJV]



Romans 16:17-18 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. For they that are such serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple.



• 1 Corinthians 5:9-11 I wrote unto you in an epistle **not to company** with fornicators: Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters; for then must ye needs go out of the world. But now I have written unto you not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator, or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner; with such an one no not to eat.



Galatians 6:1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.





2 Corinthians 2:5-7 But if any have caused grief, he hath not grieved me, but in part: that I may not overcharge you all. Sufficient to such a man is this punishment, which was inflicted of many. So that contrariwise ye ought rather to forgive him, and comfort him, lest perhaps such a one should be swallowed up with overmuch sorrow.



 2 Corinthians 2:8-11 Wherefore I beseech you that ye would confirm your love toward him. For to this end also did I write, that I might know the proof of you, whether ye be obedient in all things. To whom ye forgive any thing, I forgive also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave it, for your sakes forgave I it in the person of Christ; Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

- Talebearer--râkîyl רכיל 7400 1) slander, slanderer, tale bearer, informer (Part of speech: noun masculine) Brown Driver Briggs
 - -Leviticus 19:16 Thou shalt not go up and down as a talebearer among thy people: neither shalt thou stand against the blood of thy neighbour: I am the LORD.



 Leviticus 19:17 Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.

- Reveals--galah, Hebrew 1540, gaw-law'; a primitive root; to denude (especially in a disgraceful sense); advertise, disclose, discover, open, publish, reveal, tell, uncover. (Part of speech: verb) Strong's
 - Proverbs 11:13 A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is of a faithful spirit concealeth the matter.

- Busybody--periergazomai 4020
 periergazomai Definition: 1) to bustle about uselessly, to busy one's self about trifling, needless, useless matters 1a) used apparently of a person officiously inquisitive about another's affairs Part of speech: verb (Thayer)
 - -2 Thessalonians 3:11 For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies.

- Busybody--Periergos 4021 periergov 1)
 busy about trifles and neglectful of important
 matters 1a) esp. busy about other folks'
 affairs, a busybody. 1b) of things: impertinent
 and superfluous Part of speech: adjective
 (Thayer)
 - -1 Timothy 5:13 And withal they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not.

- Busybody -- allotriepiskopos 244
 allotriepiskopov 1) one who takes the
 supervision of affairs pertaining to others
 and in no wise to himself, a meddler in
 other men's affairs Part of speech: noun
 masculine (Thayer)
 - -1 Peter 4:15 But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters.

- <u>Tattler</u>

 (Gossips NKJV) phluaros—5397 fluarov floo'-ar-os 1) Of persons uttering or doing silly things, garrulous, babbling. 2) of things, foolish, trifling, vain—Part of speech: adjective-(Thayer)
 - —1 Timothy 5:13 And withal they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not.

Not Gossip

It Is Not a Sin to:

Repeat good things.
 (Matthew 11:4)



- Talk about how we can help a particular person. (Colossians 4:10)
- Tell others about a person's sin, if you first go to the sinner, and he does not receive you. (Matthew 18:15-17)

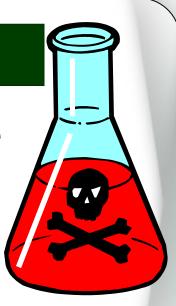
Not Gossip

It is Not a Sin to:

- Warn others about a person's evil character.
 (Ephesians 5:11)
- Expose false teachers and warn others of their error. (Romans 16:17)

Distrust, Disunity, Disharmony

- The words of a talebearer are seeds of discord.
- They cause division.
- They break down rather than build up.



Distrust, Disunity, Disharmony

- The talebearer's words bring reproach to the name of Christ.
- They go down deep into a person's soul.
- Strife and bitterness are their fruit.



2 Timothy 2:25-26 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

How to Identify Gossip

Some Questions to Ask:

- Is it True and complete?
- Is it Harmful or Helpful?
 - Does it Ignite evil suspicion or Inspire
 - solutions?
- Is it Necessary?
- Is it Kind, or at least appropriate and needed?

LOVE IS ...

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

