

16 **The General Epistle of James**

Lesson 18 Chapter 4:11-14

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11 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. 12 There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another? 13 Go to now, ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain: 14 Whereas ye know not what *shall be* on the morrow. For what *is* your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away. James 4:11-14

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11 Speak not evil one of another, brethren. (1 Pe 2:1, 3:16)

He that speaketh evil of *his* brother,

and judgeth his brother, (2:4, Mt 7:1, Lk 6:37, Ro 14:13)

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. [*Contrast with 1 Co 6:2*]

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Speak not evil:

- 1 Peter 2:1 "Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,"
- 1 Peter 3:16 "Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ."
- Ephesians 4:31 "Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:"
- Acts 23:5 "Then said Paul, I wist not, brethren, that he was the high priest: for it is written, Thou shalt not speak evil of the ruler of thy people."
- Titus 3:2 "To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, *but* gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men."

Judgeth his brother:

- James 2:4 "Are ye not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts?"
- Matthew 7:1 "Judge not, that ye be not judged." Luke 6:37 "Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:"
- Romans 14:13 "Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in *his* brother's way."

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12 There is one lawgiver, (Is 33:22, Ps 108:8, He 7:14)

who is able to save and to destroy: (Mt 10:28)

who art thou (FM: Ge 27:18, Jn 1:19)

[*Paul asked the same question... Ac 9:5, see also Ro 9:20*]

that judgest another? (Ro 14:4)

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One lawgiver:

- Isaiah 33:22 "For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; he will save us."
- Psalm 108:8 "Gilead is mine; Manasseh is mine; Ephraim also is the strength of mine head; Judah is my lawgiver;"
- Hebrews 7:14 "For it is evident that our Lord sprang out of Juda; of which tribe Moses spake nothing concerning priesthood."

Who art thou:

- Genesis 27:18 "And he came unto his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I; who art thou, my son?"
- John 1:19 "And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou?"

Judgeth another:

Romans 14:4 "Who art thou that judgest another man's servant? to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand."

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13 Go to now, (5:1)

ye that say, To day or to morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, (Rev 13:17)
and get gain: (1 Ti 6:5-6)

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14 Whereas ye know not what *shall be* on the morrow. (Pr 27:1, Lk 12:18-20)

For what is your life? (De 32:47, Lk 12:22, Col 3:3)

It is even a vapour, (Job 7:7) that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

Psalm 90:10 "The days of our years *are* threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength *they be* fourscore years, yet *is* their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away."

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The morrow:

- Proverbs 27:1 "Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth."
- Luke 12:18 "And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. 19 And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry. 20 But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?"

What is your life?

- Deuteronomy 32:47 "For it is not a vain thing for you; because it is your life: and through this thing ye shall prolong your days in the land, whither ye go over Jordan to possess it."
- Luke 12:22 "And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on."

What did our Apostle tell us about your life?

Colossians 3:3 "For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God."