

# Sin of Judging Others

(James 4:11 & 12)

## Proverbs 22:1

- A *good* name is to be more desired than great wealth, favor is better than silver and gold.

## Ecclesiastes 7:1a

- A good name is better than a good ointment,...

## (3-Fold Results)

- “Katalaia is the sin of those who meet in corners and gather in little groups and pass on confidential tidbits of information which destroy the good name of those who are not there to defend themselves.”  
– W. Barclay

## (3-Fold Results)

<sup>16</sup> You shall not go about as a slanderer among your people, and you are not to act against the life of your neighbor; I am the LORD.

- Leviticus 19:16

## (3-Fold Results)

<sup>3</sup> He does not slander with his tongue, nor does evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend;

- Psalm 15:3

## (3-Fold Results)

<sup>5</sup> Whoever secretly slanders his neighbor, him I will destroy;  
No one who has a haughty look  
and an arrogant heart will I  
endure.

- Psalm 101:5

## (3-Fold Results)

<sup>13</sup> Then the two worthless men came in and sat before him; and the worthless men testified against him, even against Naboth, before the people, saying, “Naboth cursed God and the king.” So they took him outside the city and stoned him to death with stones.

- 1 Kings 21:13



## (3-Fold Results)

<sup>59</sup> Now the chief priests and the whole Council kept trying to obtain false testimony against Jesus, so that they might put Him to death. <sup>60</sup> They did not find *any*, even though many false witnesses came forward.

- Matthew 26:59 & 60a

## (3-Fold Results)

<sup>11</sup> The Pharisee stood and was praying this to himself: 'God, I thank You that I am not like other people: swindlers, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector.'

- Luke 18:11

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<sup>19</sup> So then we pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.

- Romans 14:19

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“Let me make this clear. When Jesus speaks of ‘one of these little ones who believe in Me,’ He is not speaking of children literally, though He does not exclude them. He is speaking of normal believers, and He warns against placing harmful obstacles in a true believer’s way. Such a person should be terrified for it would be better for him to have a large millstone hung around his neck and be thrown into the sea to drown rather than that he should harm a new or weak believer.”

— J. Boice

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“So those who speak evil of their neighbors have appointed themselves as judges of the law and taken to themselves the right to break it, and therefore they stand condemned.” – W. Barclay

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<sup>21</sup> But examine everything *carefully*; hold fast to that which is good; <sup>22</sup> abstain from every form of evil.

- I Thessalonians 5:21 & 22



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<sup>14</sup> As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming;

- Ephesians 4:14

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<sup>15</sup> “If your brother sins, go and show him his fault in private; if he listens to you, you have won your brother.

- Matthew 18:15

### III) Playing god.

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<sup>39</sup> 'See now that I, I am He,  
and there is no god besides Me;  
It is I who put to death and give  
life. I have wounded and it is I who  
heal, and there is no one who can  
deliver from My hand.

- Deuteronomy 32:39

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“The LORD kills and makes alive;  
He brings down to Sheol and  
raises up.”

- I Samuel 2:6

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<sup>27</sup> And inasmuch as it is  
appointed for men to die once  
and after this *comes* judgment,

- Hebrews 9:27

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<sup>10</sup> For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may be recompensed for his deeds in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.”

- II Corinthians 5:10