



Title: Wars and Fightings (part 3) – Contrite Submission – A Cure for Slander and Presumption.

Text: *James 4:11-17* “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. 15 For that ye ought to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that. 16 But now ye rejoice in your boastings: all such rejoicing is evil. 17 Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.”

Pagsasalin: 11 Mga kapatid, huwag kayong magsalita ng masama laban sa isa't isa. Ang nagsasalita laban sa kapatid, o humahatol sa kanyang kapatid ay nagsasalita ng masama laban sa kautusan, at humahatol sa kautusan. Ngunit kung ikaw ay humahatol sa kautusan, hindi ka na tagatupad ng kautusan, kundi isang hukom. 12 Iisa ang tagapagbigay ng kautusan at hukom, siya na may kapangyarihang magligtas at pumuksa. Kaya, sino ka na humahatol sa iyong kapwa? 13 Halikayo ngayon, kayong nagsasabi, Ngayon o bukas ay pupunta kami sa ganito o sa ganoong bayan, at kami ay mangangalakal doon ng isang taon at kikita. 14 Gayunman ay hindi ninyo nalalaman kung ano ang magaganap bukas. Ano ba ang inyong buhay? Kayo nga'y isang singaw na sa sandaling panahon ay lumilitaw, at pagkatapos ay naglalaho. 15 Sa halip ay dapat ninyong sabihin, Kung loloobin ng Panginoon kami ay mabubuhay at gagawin namin ito o iyon. 16 Subalit ngayon ay nagmamalaki kayo sa inyong mga kayabangan. Ang lahat ng gayong pagmamalaki ay masama. 17 Kaya't ang sinumang nakakaalam ng paggawa ng mabuti ngunit hindi ito ginagawa, ito ay kasalanan sa kanya.

1. The Cure for Slander (vv.11-12)

- A. Speak not evil one of another. – to incriminate or to slander.
- B. Speaking evil of a brother is judging him. – to evaluate or to form a personal opinion.
 - B.1. He speaks evil of the law
 - B.2. He judges the law
 - B.3. He is not a doer of the law
 - B.4. He is a judge
- C. There is only one Lawgiver.
- D. He is able to save and destroy.
- E. Who are you that judges another?

2. The Cure for Presumption (vv.13-17)

- A. Go to Now
 - A.1. Ye that say, today or tomorrow we will go into such a city...
- B. Whereas ye know not what shall be on tomorrow...for what is your life? Vapor.
- C. For ye ought to say, If the Lord will.
- D. Do to opposite and take joy in that is evil boasting. – evil – bad nature or condition.
- E. When it is sin – when one knows to do good and is not doing it.

Observations:

- 1. (vv.11-12) – Let the word of God do the judging.
- 2. Pastor James has an elaborate “Bibliology.”
- 3. The challenge of the Christian life is to live in the will of God with a resolve to submit to His word every day.
- 4. To know to do good and to do it not – that is sin.