

Strife, “It’s not for the believer’s life!”

Definition: Exertion for superiority, by mental or physical efforts,

For wherever there is jealousy (envy) and contention (rivalry and selfish ambition), there will also be confusion (unrest, disharmony, rebellion) and all sorts of evil and vile practices. James 3:16

Deut. 1:12 How can I bear alone the weariness *and* pressure and burden of you and your strife?

Hab. 1:3 Why dost thou shew me iniquity, and cause *me* to behold grievance? for spoiling and violence *are* before me: and there are *that* raise up strife and contention.

Prov. 10:12 Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.

Prov. 15:18 A hot-tempered man stirs up strife, but he who is slow to anger appeases contention.

Prov. 16:28 A perverse man sows strife, and a whisperer separates close friends.

Prov. 17:14 The beginning of strife is as when water first trickles [*from a crack in a dam*]; therefore stop contention before it becomes worse and quarreling breaks out.

Prov. 17:19 He who loves strife and is quarrelsome loves transgression and involves himself in guilt; he who raises high his gateway and is boastful and arrogant invites destruction.

Pro 20:3 It *is* an honour for a man to cease (**be quiet**) from strife: but every fool will be meddling. (**touching or handling it, quarreling**)

Pro 26:20 Where no wood is, *there* the fire goeth out: so where *there is* no talebearer, the strife ceaseth.

Pro 29:22 An angry⁶³⁹ (**feeling resentment, provoked, angry face, angry words, inflamed**) man³⁷⁶ stirreth up¹⁶²⁴ strife,⁴⁰⁶⁶ and a furious²⁵³⁴ man¹¹⁶⁷ aboundeth⁷²²⁷ in transgression.⁶⁵⁸⁸ (sin)

1Cor. 3:3 For ye are yet carnal: for whereas *there is* among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?

Jas. 3:14 But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.

Jas. 4:1 What LEADS to strife (discord and feuds) *and* how do conflicts (quarrels and fightings) originate among you? Do they not arise from your sensual desires that are ever warring in your bodily members?

How to cease? Help is always/only from the Word!

Cease: “to leave off” “to make cease” sometimes the only way to “make” this happen is to walk away from the person it is happening with, and or to not speak any more.

Pro 13:10 Only **by pride** cometh contention: but with the well advised *is* wisdom.

Mar 3:24 And if a kingdom is **divided** *and* rebelling against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.

Mar 3:25 And if a house is divided (split into factions and rebelling) against itself, that house will not be able to last.

Gal 5:15 But if ye **bite and devour one another**, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.

Gal 5:17 For the **flesh lusteth against the Spirit**, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are contrary the one to the other; that ye may not do the things that ye would.

Phil. 2:14 **Do all things without murmurings and disputings:**

Rom. 14:19 Let us therefore **follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another.**