

## ***What Does the Bible Say About Gossip?***

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*Look these verses up and meditate on them today.  
Perhaps refer to them daily as you walk in relationship with others humbly.  
All scripture taken from NIV.*

### ***Ephesians 4:29***

*29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.*

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### ***James 4:11***

*11 Brothers and sisters, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks against a brother or sister or judges them speaks against the law and*

*judges it. When you judge the law, you are not keeping it, but sitting in judgment on it.*

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***Proverbs 10:18***

*18 Whoever conceals hatred with lying lips and spreads slander is a fool.*

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***Proverbs 11:13***

***13 A gossip betrays a confidence, but a trustworthy person keeps a secret.***

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***Proverbs 16:28***

***28 A perverse person stirs up conflict, and a gossip separates close friends.***

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***Proverbs 18:21***

***21 The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.***

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***Psalms 34:13***

***13 Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from telling lies.***

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**Psalm 141:3**

*3 set a guard over my mouth, Lord; keep watch over the door of my lips.*

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**Proverbs 26:20-22**

*20 Without wood a fire goes out; without a gossip a quarrel dies  
down. 21 As charcoal to embers and as wood to fire, so is a quarrelsome  
person for kindling strife. 22 The words of a gossip are like choice morsels;  
they go down to the inmost parts.*

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*Leviticus 19:16*

*16 “ Do not go about spreading slander among your people. “ Do not do anything that endangers your neighbor’s life. I am the Lord.*

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