

100 Bible Verses about Gossip

[Proverbs 16:28](#) ESV

A dishonest man spreads strife, and a whisperer separates close friends.

[Proverbs 20:19](#) ESV

Whoever goes about slandering reveals secrets; therefore do not associate with a simple babbler.

[Ephesians 4:29](#) ESV

Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.

[Proverbs 11:13](#) ESV

Whoever goes about slandering reveals secrets, but he who is trustworthy in spirit keeps a thing covered.

[Proverbs 26:20](#) ESV

For lack of wood the fire goes out, and where there is no whisperer, quarreling ceases.

[Leviticus 19:16](#) ESV

You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand up against the life of your neighbor: I am the Lord.

[Proverbs 18:8](#) ESV

The words of a whisperer are like delicious morsels; they go down into the inner parts of the body.

[Psalm 34:13](#) ESV

Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit.

[1 Timothy 5:13](#) ESV

Besides that, they learn to be idlers, going about from house to house, and not only idlers, but also gossips and busybodies, saying what they should not.

[Proverbs 10:18](#) ESV

The one who conceals hatred has lying lips, and whoever utters slander is a fool.

[2 Corinthians 12:20](#) ESV

For I fear that perhaps when I come I may find you not as I wish, and that you may find me not as you wish—that perhaps there may be quarreling, jealousy, anger, hostility, slander, gossip, conceit, and disorder.

[James 1:26](#) ESV

If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless.

[Exodus 23:1](#) ESV

"You shall not spread a false report. You shall not join hands with a wicked man to be a malicious witness.

[James 4:11](#) ESV

Do not speak evil against one another, brothers. The one who speaks against a brother or judges his brother, speaks evil against the law and judges the law. But if you judge the law, you are not a doer of the law but a judge.

[Psalm 101:5](#) ESV

Whoever slanders his neighbor secretly I will destroy. Whoever has a haughty look and an arrogant heart I will not endure.

[Romans 1:29](#) ESV

They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips,

[Proverbs 11:9](#) ESV

With his mouth the godless man would destroy his neighbor, but by knowledge the righteous are delivered.

[Proverbs 6:16-19](#) ESV

There are six things that the Lord hates, seven that are an abomination to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked plans, feet that make haste to run to evil, a false witness who breathes out lies, and one who sows discord among brothers.

[Proverbs 21:23](#) ESV

Whoever keeps his mouth and his tongue keeps himself out of trouble.

[Proverbs 26:22](#) ESV

The words of a whisperer are like delicious morsels; they go down into the inner parts of the body.

[Proverbs 17:4](#) ESV

An evildoer listens to wicked lips, and a liar gives ear to a mischievous tongue.

[Titus 3:2](#) ESV

To speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people.

[Proverbs 17:9](#) ESV

Whoever covers an offense seeks love, but he who repeats a matter separates close friends.

[Psalm 141:3](#) ESV

Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips!

[Proverbs 25:23](#) ESV

The north wind brings forth rain, and a backbiting tongue, angry looks.

[Proverbs 18:21](#) ESV

Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruits.

[Matthew 12:36](#) ESV

I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak,

[Proverbs 10:19](#) ESV

When words are many, transgression is not lacking, but whoever restrains his lips is prudent.

[Luke 6:31](#) ESV

And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

[Philippians 4:8](#) ESV

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

[James 3:5](#) ESV

So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire!

[Proverbs 13:3](#) ESV

Whoever guards his mouth preserves his life; he who opens wide his lips comes to ruin.

[Exodus 20:16](#) ESV

"You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

[Proverbs 26:20-22](#) ESV

For lack of wood the fire goes out, and where there is no whisperer, quarreling ceases. As charcoal to hot embers and wood to fire, so is a quarrelsome man for kindling strife. The words of a whisperer are like delicious morsels; they go down into the inner parts of the body.

[Colossians 3:8](#) ESV

But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.

[Psalm 15:2-3](#) ESV

He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend;

[Colossians 4:6](#) ESV

Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

[Psalm 19:14](#) ESV

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

[Romans 1:29-32](#) ESV

They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips, slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless. Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.

[Romans 1:28-32](#) ESV

And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done. They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips, slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless. Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.

[1 Peter 4:15](#) ESV

But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler.

[Romans 1:29-30](#) ESV

They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips, slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents,

[1 Thessalonians 4:11](#) ESV

And to aspire to live quietly, and to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we instructed you,

[Jeremiah 6:28](#) ESV

They are all stubbornly rebellious, going about with slanders; they are bronze and iron; all of them act corruptly.

[Matthew 7:12](#) ESV

"So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

[2 Timothy 2:16](#) ESV

But avoid irreverent babble, for it will lead people into more and more ungodliness,

[Ephesians 4:31](#) ESV

Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice.

[Matthew 18:1-35](#) ESV

At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, ...

[Matthew 5:11](#) ESV

"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

[Matthew 18:17](#) ESV

If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

[Psalm 31:18](#) ESV

Let the lying lips be mute, which speak insolently against the righteous in pride and contempt.

[Proverbs 19:5](#) ESV

A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who breathes out lies will not escape.

[1 Timothy 5:19](#) ESV

Do not admit a charge against an elder except on the evidence of two or three witnesses.

[2 Thessalonians 3:11](#) ESV

For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies.

[Ephesians 5:11](#) ESV

Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them.

[1 Peter 3:16](#) ESV

Having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame.

[1 Peter 2:1](#) ESV

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander.

[1 Timothy 5:13-14](#) ESV

Besides that, they learn to be idlers, going about from house to house, and not only idlers, but also gossips and busybodies, saying what they should not. So I would have younger widows marry, bear children, manage their households, and give the adversary no occasion for slander.

[Titus 2:2-3](#) ESV

Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good,

[James 3:8](#) ESV

But no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison.

[Psalm 23:1-6](#) ESV

A Psalm of David. The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. ...

[Psalm 41:7](#) ESV

All who hate me whisper together about me; they imagine the worst for me.

[Proverbs 18:6-7](#) ESV

A fool's lips walk into a fight, and his mouth invites a beating. A fool's mouth is his ruin, and his lips are a snare to his soul.

[Proverbs 15:4](#) ESV

A gentle tongue is a tree of life, but perverseness in it breaks the spirit.

[Psalm 15:1-5](#) ESV

A Psalm of David. O Lord, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill? He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend; in whose eyes a vile person is despised, but who honors those who fear the Lord; who swears to his own hurt and does not change; who does not put out his money at interest and does not take a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things shall never be moved.

[Proverbs 16:27](#) ESV

A worthless man plots evil, and his speech is like a scorching fire.

[Isaiah 1:1-31](#) ESV

The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the Lord has spoken: "Children have I reared and brought up, but they have rebelled against me. The ox knows its owner, and the donkey its master's crib, but Israel does not know, my people do not understand." Ah, sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, offspring of evildoers, children who deal corruptly! They have forsaken the Lord, they have despised the Holy One of Israel, they are utterly estranged. Why will you still be struck down? Why will you continue to rebel? The whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. ...

[Psalm 41:6](#) ESV

And when one comes to see me, he utters empty words, while his heart gathers iniquity; when he goes out, he tells it abroad.

[Matthew 7:1](#) ESV

"Judge not, that you be not judged.

[Proverbs 18:7-8](#) ESV

A fool's mouth is his ruin, and his lips are a snare to his soul. The words of a whisperer are like delicious morsels; they go down into the inner parts of the body.

[1 Timothy 3:9-11](#) ESV

They must hold the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience. And let them also be tested first; then let them serve as deacons if they prove themselves blameless. Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things.

[1 Corinthians 6:9-10](#) ESV

Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.

[Proverbs 11:12](#) ESV

Whoever belittles his neighbor lacks sense, but a man of understanding remains silent.

[Deuteronomy 13:14](#) ESV

Then you shall inquire and make search and ask diligently. And behold, if it be true and certain that such an abomination has been done among you,

[Ephesians 4:25](#) ESV

Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

[Proverbs 25:9-10](#) ESV

Argue your case with your neighbor himself, and do not reveal another's secret, lest he who hears you bring shame upon you, and your ill repute have no end.

[Psalm 15:3](#) ESV

Who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend;

[Proverbs 26:28](#) ESV

A lying tongue hates its victims, and a flattering mouth works ruin.

[James 3:2](#) ESV

For we all stumble in many ways. And if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body.

[Proverbs 26:17](#) ESV

Whoever meddles in a quarrel not his own is like one who takes a passing dog by the ears.

[Psalm 15:1-3](#) ESV

A Psalm of David. O Lord, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill? He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend;

[Psalm 50:20](#) ESV

You sit and speak against your brother; you slander your own mother's son.

[Proverbs 12:22](#) ESV

Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, but those who act faithfully are his delight.

[James 3:6](#) ESV

And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell.

[Revelation 1:1](#) ESV

The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show to his servants the things that must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John,

[Ezekiel 36:3](#) ESV

Therefore prophesy, and say, Thus says the Lord God: Precisely because they made you desolate and

crushed you from all sides, so that you became the possession of the rest of the nations, and you became the talk and evil gossip of the people,

Proverbs 19:9 ESV

A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who breathes out lies will perish.

Matthew 18:16 ESV

But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses.

1 Timothy 3:11 ESV

Their wives likewise must be dignified, not slanderers, but sober-minded, faithful in all things.

Proverbs 15:1 ESV

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

John 3:16-17 ESV

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Titus 2:3 ESV

Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good,

James 4:17 ESV

So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.

Romans 1:30 ESV

Slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents,

Titus 3:1-2 ESV

Remind them to be submissive to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work, to speak evil of no one, to avoid quarreling, to be gentle, and to show perfect courtesy toward all people.

2 Timothy 3:1-5 ESV

But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people.

Matthew 18:15 ESV

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother.

Proverbs 11:1-13:25 ESV

A false balance is an abomination to the Lord, but a just weight is his delight. When pride comes, then

comes disgrace, but with the humble is wisdom. The integrity of the upright guides them, but the crookedness of the treacherous destroys them. Riches do not profit in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death. The righteousness of the blameless keeps his way straight, but the wicked falls by his own wickedness. ...

[Matthew 12:34](#) ESV

You brood of vipers! How can you speak good, when you are evil? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

[Matthew 5:1-11:30](#) ESV

Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ...