



James 3:1-12

**Unchecked and unfiltered
speech is devastatingly
deadly**

Ephesians 4:1-6



**As we approach
James 4:11-12, the **unity** we
share with other believers
needs to be **front** and **center****

James 4:11-12





**ONLY ONE LAWGIVER
AND JUDGE**



Matthew 7:1-5

**There's a drastic difference
between lovingly confronting
someone and sitting in a place
where you cast judgement
on someone**



**Before we seek to assist
another believer with a
potential sin issue, we must
evaluate our own hearts**

James 4:11



“Do not speak **against” =
literally means – to speak
down or against
(this is someone looking
to **damage or destroy**
someone’s reputation)**



**Speaking ill of a brother or
sister in Christ disregards the
precious bond which we both
share through Christ**



**When James says, “Speak
against the Law and judges
the Law,” what he means is
“they are applying the Law
and it’s NOT their place”**



Before we share something about someone else – ask **2 questions:**

1. Have I already shared this **with the person it's about?**

2. How does my sharing this **help that person or situation?**



**None of us are perfect, we
are all equally accountable to
God for what we participate
in and how we daily live**

James 4:11-12



**When we attempt to act as
the **Lawgiver** and **Judge**,
we elevate ourselves and
deny the authority, which
we are all subject**



Romans 8:1-4

Ephesians 2:8-10



**Pride has NO place
and it's prideful to sit on
God's judgement seat,
we have NO right to execute
judgment on anyone**



James 4:11-12

**“Judge” = one who makes
decisions based upon
examination and evaluation**

