



Welcome to our
VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY

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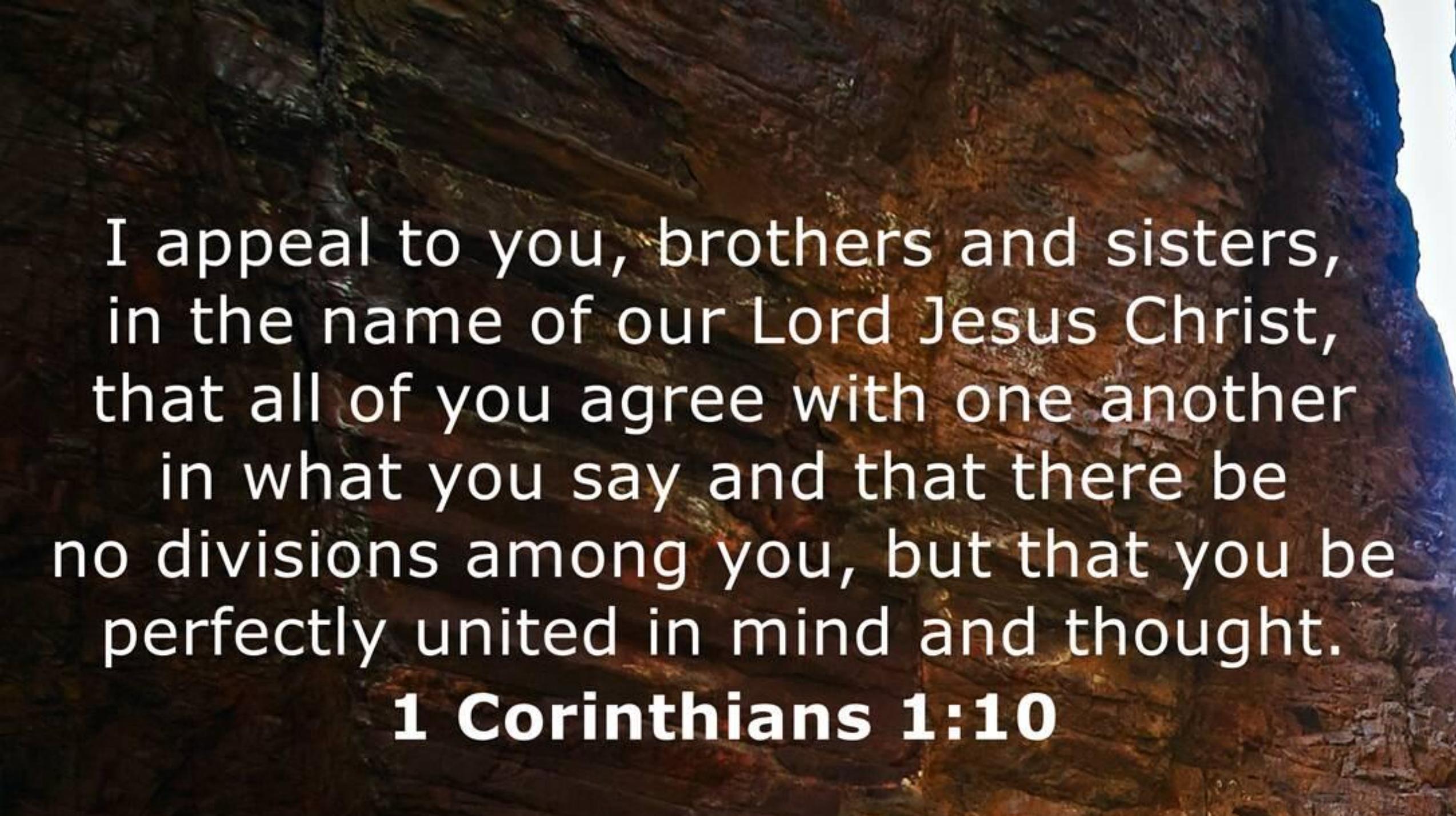
THE POWER OF
AGREEMENT

GOD'S DESIGN FOR UNITY, AUTHORITY,
AND SPIRITUAL FRUITFULNESS

Part VII

The Enemies of Agreement





I appeal to you, brothers and sisters,
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
that all of you agree with one another
in what you say and that there be
no divisions among you, but that you be
perfectly united in mind and thought.

1 Corinthians 1:10

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“The enemies of agreement are the attitudes and influences that subtly divide what God has called us to unite. When we discern and confront these enemies with humility and truth, unity is protected, maturity is strengthened, and Christ is reflected more clearly through us.”

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The Enemy of Pride

Pride undermines agreement by elevating self above unity and personal position above shared purpose.

Where there is strife, there is pride,
but wisdom is found in those who take advice

Proverbs 13:10



How you have fallen from heaven, morning
star, son of the dawn! How you are cut down
to the ground, who laid the nations low!
You said in your heart, “I will ascend into
heaven! I will exalt my throne above the
stars of God! I will sit on the mountain of
assembly, in the far north! I will ascend
above the heights of the clouds!
I will make myself like the Most High!”
Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol,
to the depths of the pit. **ISAIAH 14:12-15**

Ezekiel 28:17

New King James Version

“Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; You corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor; I cast you to the ground, I laid you before kings, That they might gaze at you.

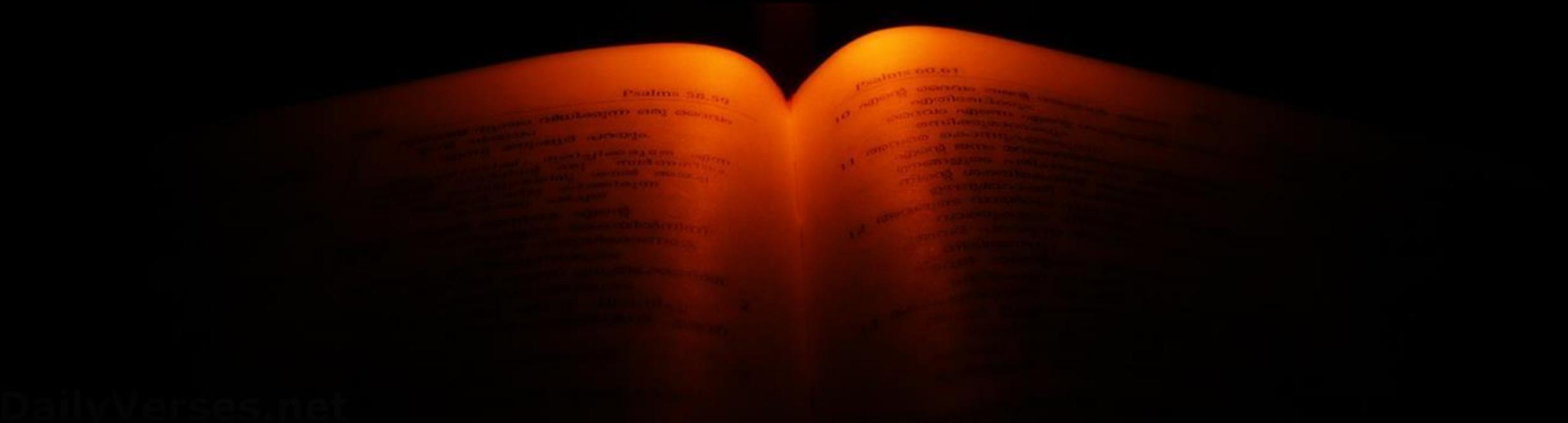
James 4:6

6 But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”



Do nothing out of selfish ambition
or vain conceit. Rather, in humility
value others above yourselves.

Philippians 2:3





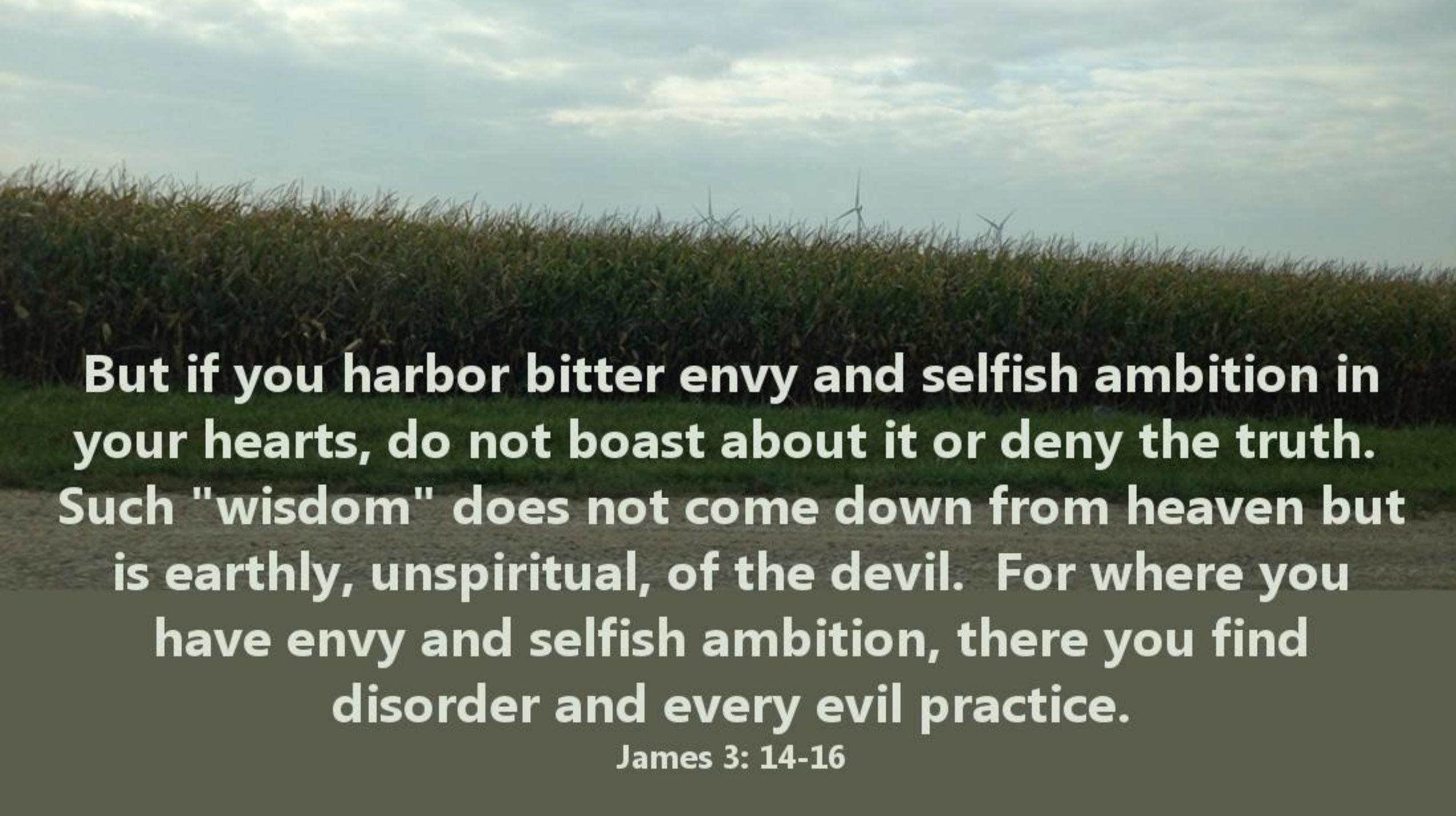
*“Agreement deteriorates
wherever pride is defended
instead of surrendered.”*

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The Enemy of Jealousy and Selfish Ambition

**Jealousy and selfish ambition
fracture agreement by turning
collaboration into competition.**

A photograph of a field of tall, green grass or reeds. In the background, several wind turbines are visible against a cloudy, overcast sky. The overall scene is somewhat somber due to the greyish-blue tones of the sky and the dense, dark green of the vegetation.

But if you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast about it or deny the truth. Such "wisdom" does not come down from heaven but is earthly, unspiritual, of the devil. For where you have envy and selfish ambition, there you find disorder and every evil practice.

James 3: 14-16

Let us not be desirous of
vain glory, provoking one
another, envying one another.

Galatians 5:26

KING JAMES VERSION

**A HEART AT PEACE
GIVES LIFE TO THE
BODY, BUT ENVY
ROTS THE BONES.**

- PROVERBS 14:30 -



***“Agreement collapses
when competition
replaces cooperation.”***

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The Enemy of Offense

**Unresolved offense divides what
open and honest communication
could have restored.**

A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city:
and their contentions are like the bars of a castle.

-Proverbs 18:19 KJV

Let no root of bitterness
spring up to trouble you
lest you be defiled

Hebrews 12:15

If another believer sins against you, go privately and point out the offense. If the other person listens and confesses it, you have won that person back.

Matthew 18:15



***“Agreement breaks down
when we hold on to offense
instead of seeking restoration.”***

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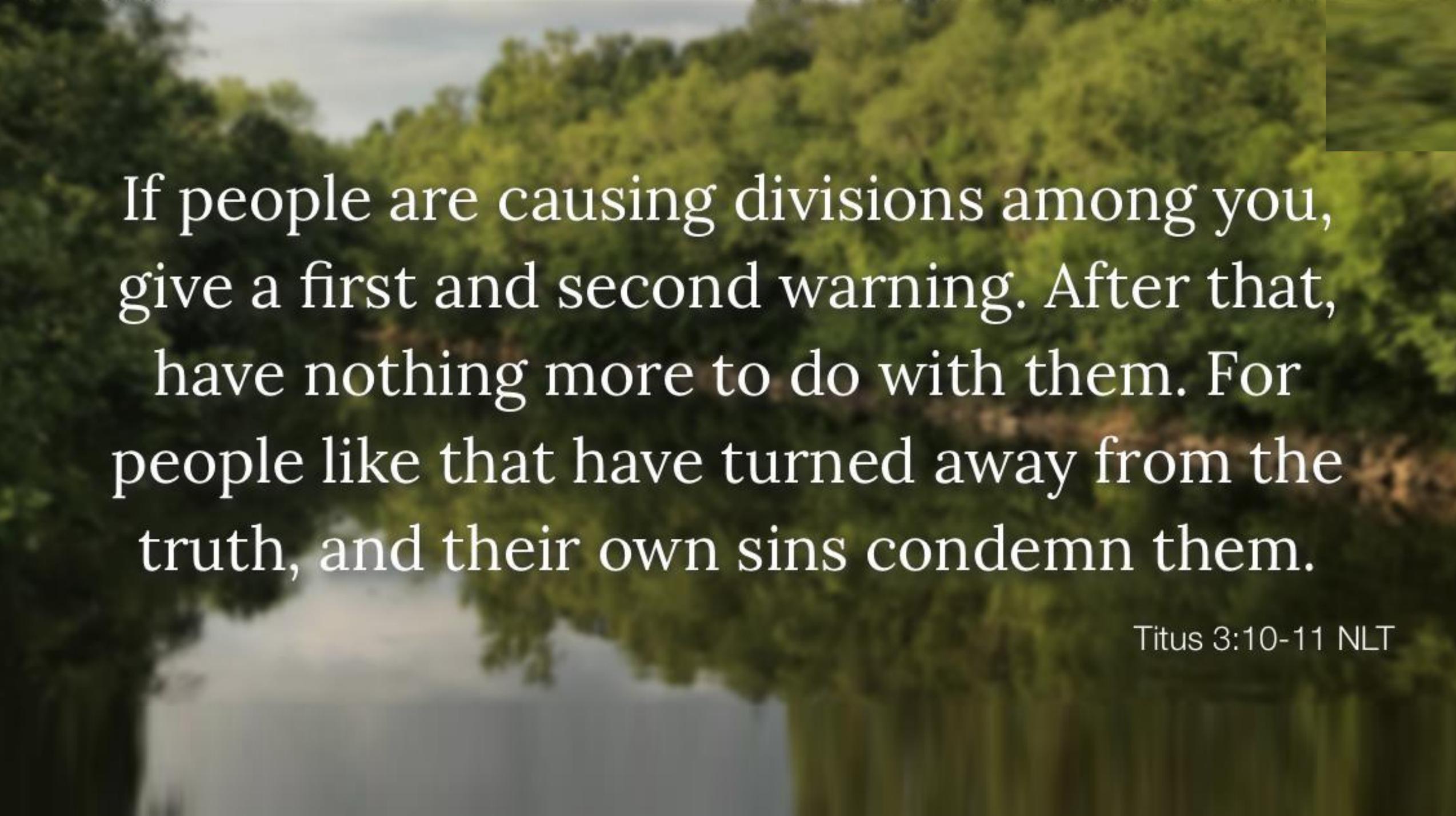
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The Enemy of Gossip and Division

**Gossip and careless words divide,
often before we can even recognize
the damage they have caused.**

A troublemaker plants seeds of strife;
gossip separates the best of friends.

Proverbs 16:28



If people are causing divisions among you, give a first and second warning. After that, have nothing more to do with them. For people like that have turned away from the truth, and their own sins condemn them.

Titus 3:10-11 NLT

“Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.”

Ephesians 4:31-32





***“Agreement falls apart when
our conversations create
distance and mistrust”***

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The Enemy of Spiritual Complacency

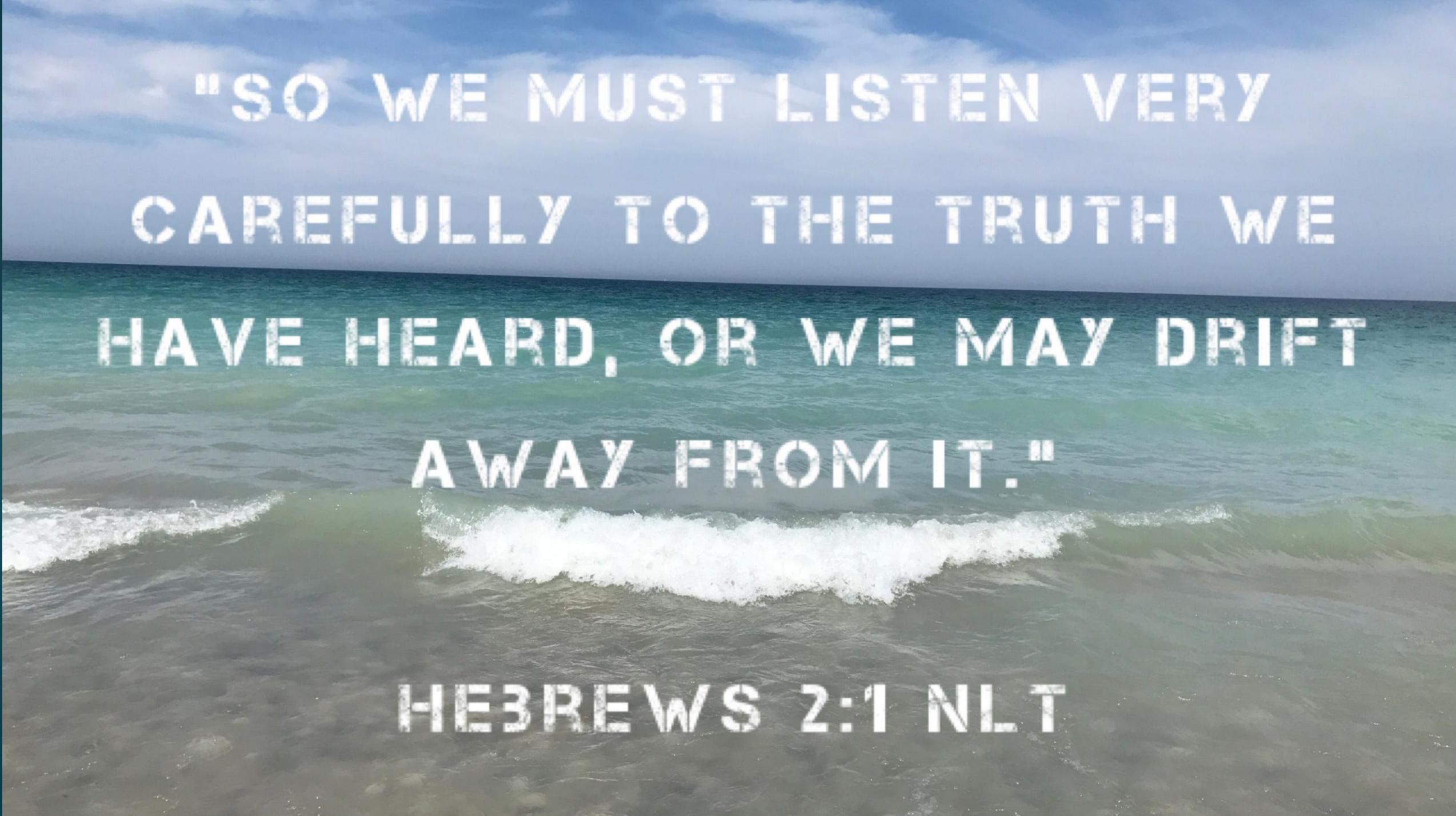
Spiritual complacency weakens agreement by allowing division to grow quietly and unnoticed.

“I know your works;
I know that you are neither cold nor hot.
I wish you were either cold or hot.
So, because you are lukewarm,
neither hot nor cold,
I will spit you out of my mouth.
Revelation 3:15-16

Be alert and of sober mind.
Your enemy the devil prowls around
like a roaring lion looking for
someone to devour.

1 Peter 5:8





**"SO WE MUST LISTEN VERY
CAREFULLY TO THE TRUTH WE
HAVE HEARD, OR WE MAY DRIFT
AWAY FROM IT."**

HEBREWS 2:1 NLT



“Agreement weakens when we grow spiritually careless and stop protecting what needs to be guarded.”

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COMMON ENEMIES OF AGREEMENT ARE...

1. Pride
2. Jealousy and Selfish Ambition
3. Offense
4. Gossip and Division
5. Spiritual Complacency



QUESTIONS,
COMMENTS,
or COMMENTARY

