

Proverbs 3:5

***Trust in the LORD with all
your heart and lean not on
your own understanding***



This Outline Gives Insights about:

A Backbiter

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70 TYPES OF PEOPLE IN PROVERBS EXPRESSED BY SOLOMON

1. Simple Person
2. Wise Person
3. Man of Understanding
4. Fool
5. Innocent
6. Scornor
7. Evil Person
8. Froward Person
9. Wicked
10. Strange Woman
11. Upright
12. Transgressor
13. Cruel Person
14. Sluggard
15. Naughty Person
16. False Witness
17. Whorish woman
18. Adulteress
19. Thief
20. Harlot
21. Poor Person
22. Diligent Person
23. Rich Person
24. Unjust
25. Hypocrite
26. Talebearer
27. Faithful Person
28. Gracious Person
29. Brutish Person
30. Virtuous Person
31. Perverse Person
32. Vain Person
33. Prudent Person
34. Slothful Person
35. Backslider
36. Angry Person
37. Deceiver
38. Hasty of Spirit
39. Envious Person
40. Wrathful Person
41. Proud Person
42. Pure Person
43. Prideful Person
44. Haughty Person
45. Humble Person
46. Lowly Person
47. Whisperer
48. Violent Person
49. Liar
50. Waster
51. Brother
52. Ungodly
53. Mocker
54. Brawling Woman
55. Contentious Person
56. Furious Person
57. Riotous Eaters of Flesh
58. Drunkard
59. Glutton
60. Mischievous Person
61. Reprover
62. Unfaithful Person
63. Backbiter
64. Conceited Person
65. Flatterer
66. Destroyer
67. Bloodthirsty
68. Odious Woman
69. Greedy Person
70. Borrower, Buyer, Lender

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Each study for the 70 types of people presented in “Solomon” has a corresponding short verbal introduction page. Likewise a full **Hebrew** and **Greek** study will follow.

Deuteronomy 27:24

Cursed be he that smiteth his neighbour *secretly*. And all the people shall say, Amen.

Job 13:10

He will surely reprove you, if ye do *secretly* accept persons.

Job 31:27

And my heart hath been *secretly* enticed, or my mouth hath kissed my hand:

Psalms 15:2-3

He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart. 3 He that *backbiteth* not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.

Psalms 18:11

He made darkness *his secret place*; his pavilion round about him were dark waters and thick clouds of the skies.

Psalms 32:7

Thou art my *hiding place*; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.

Psalms 101:5

Whoso *privily* slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer. (To run parallel to truth)

Psalms 119:114

Thou art *my hiding place* and my shield: I hope in thy word.

Proverbs 9:17

Stolen waters are sweet, and bread eaten in *secret* is pleasant.

Proverbs 21:14

A gift *in secret* pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath.

Proverbs 25:23

The north wind driveth away rain: so doth an angry countenance a *backbiting* tongue.

Romans 1:30

Backbiters, haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

II Corinthians 12:20

For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and *that* I shall be found unto you such as ye would not: lest *there be* debates, envyings, wraths, strifes, *backbitings*, whisperings, swellings, tumults:

I Peter 2:1

Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all *evil speakings*,

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Katalalos	kat-al'-al-os	talkative against, that is, a slanderer; -backbiter, a defamer, evil speaker	13
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Deuteronomy 13:6

“If thy brother, the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy daughter, or the wife of thy bosom, or thy friend, which is as thine own soul, entice thee *secretly*, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers;”

Deuteronomy 27:15

“Cursed be the man that maketh any graven or molten image, an abomination unto the LORD, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and putteth it *in a secret* place. And all the people shall answer and say, Amen.”

Deuteronomy 27:24

“Cursed be he that smiteth his neighbour *secretly*. And all the people shall say, Amen.”

Deuteronomy 28:57

“And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear: for she shall eat them for want of all things *secretly* in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates.”

Deuteronomy 32:38

“Which did eat the fat of their sacrifices, and drank the wine of their drink offerings? let them rise up and help you, and be *your protection*.”

Judges 3:19

“But he himself turned again from the quarries that were by Gilgal, and said, I have a *secret* errand unto thee, O king: who said, Keep silence. And all that stood by him went out from him.”

I Samuel 19:2

“But Jonathan Saul's son delighted much in David: and Jonathan told David, saying, Saul my father seeketh to kill thee: now therefore, I pray thee, take heed to thyself until the morning, and abide *in a secret* place, and hide thyself:”

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I Samuel 25:20

“And it was so, as she rode on the ass, that she came down *by the covert of* the hill, and, behold, David and his men came down against her; and she met them.”

II Samuel 12:12

“For thou didst it *secretly*: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.”

Job 13:10

“He will surely reprove you, if ye do *secretly* accept persons.”

Job 22:14

“Thick clouds are *a covering* to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of heaven.”

Job 24:15

“The eye also of the adulterer waiteth for the twilight, saying, No eye shall see me: *and disguiseth* his face.”

Job 31:27

“And my heart hath been *secretly* enticed, or my mouth hath kissed my hand:”

Job 40:21

“He lieth under the shady trees, *in the covert of* the reed, and fens.”

Psalms 18:11

“He made darkness *his secret place*; his pavilion round about him were dark waters and thick clouds of the skies.”

Psalms 27:5

“For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: *in the secret of* his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock.”

Psalms 31:20

“Thou shalt hide them *in the secret of* thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.”

Psalms 32:7

“Thou art my *hiding place*; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.”

Psalms 61:4

“I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust *in the covert of* thy wings. Selah.”

Psalms 81:7

“Thou calledst in trouble, and I delivered thee; I answered thee *in the secret place of* thunder: I proved thee at the waters of Meribah. Selah.”

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Psalms 91:1

“He that dwelleth *in the secret place of* the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.”

Psalms 101:5

“Whoso *privily* slandereth his neighbour, him will I cut off: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.”

Psalms 119:114

“Thou art *my hiding place* and my shield: I hope in thy word.”

Psalms 139:15

“My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made *in secret*, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.”

Proverbs 9:17

“Stolen waters are sweet, and bread eaten in *secret* is pleasant.”

Proverbs 21:14

“A gift *in secret* pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath.”

Proverbs 25:23

“The north wind driveth away rain: so doth an angry countenance a *backbiting* tongue.”

Song of Solomon 2:14

“O my dove, that art in the clefts of the rock, *in the secret places* of the stairs, let me see thy countenance, let me hear thy voice; for sweet is thy voice, and thy countenance is comely.”

Isaiah 16:4

“Let mine outcasts dwell with thee, Moab; be thou *a covert* to them from the face of the spoiler: for the extortioner is at an end, the spoiler ceaseth, the oppressors are consumed out of the land.”

Isaiah 28:17

“Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, *and* the waters shall overflow *the hiding place.*”

Isaiah 32:2

“And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind, *and a covert from* the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.”

Isaiah 45:19

“I have not spoken *in secret*, in a dark place of the earth: I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain: I the LORD speak righteousness, I declare things that are right.”

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Isaiah 48:16

“Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken *in secret* from the beginning; from the time that it was, there am I: and now the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me.”

Jeremiah 37:17

“Then Zedekiah the king sent, and took him out: and the king asked him *secretly* in his house, and said, Is there any word from the LORD? And Jeremiah said, There is: for, said he, thou shalt be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon.”

Jeremiah 38:16

“So Zedekiah the king sware *secretly* unto Jeremiah, saying, As the LORD liveth, that made us this soul, I will not put thee to death, neither will I give thee into the hand of these men that seek thy life.”

Jeremiah 40:15

“Then Johanan the son of Kareah spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah *secretly*, saying, Let me go, I pray thee, and I will slay Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and no man shall know it: wherefore should he slay thee, that all the Jews which are gathered unto thee should be scattered, and the remnant in Judah perish?”

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<p>Psalms 15:3 "He that <i>backbiteth</i> not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour."</p>	<p>Ragal Raw-gal'</p> <p>II Samuel 15:10 "But Absalom sent <i>spies</i> throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, As soon as ye hear the sound of the trumpet, then ye shall say, Absalom reigneth in Hebron."</p> <p>I Samuel 26:4 "David therefore sent out <i>spies</i>, and understood that Saul was come in very deed."</p>	<p><i>to walk along; but only in specific applications, to reconnoitre, to be a tale bearer (that is, slander); also (as denominative from H7272) to lead about:</i></p> <p><i>KJV- backbite, search, slander, (e-) spy (out), teach to go, view.</i></p> <p>II Samuel 19:27 <i>"And he hath slandered</i> thy servant unto my lord the king; but my lord the king is as an angel of God: do therefore what is good in thine eyes."</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 1:24 "And they turned and went up into the mountain, and came unto the valley of Eshcol, <i>and searched it out.</i>"</p>	<p>Joshua 14:7 "Forty years old was I when Moses the servant of the LORD sent me from Kadesh-barnea <i>to espay out</i> the land; and I brought him word again as it was in mine heart."</p>

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Ragal (raw-gal') to *walk* along; but only in specific applications, to *reconnoitre*, to *be a tale bearer* (that is, slander); to *lead about*:

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Genesis 42:9

“And Joseph remembered the dreams which he dreamed of them, and said unto them, Ye are *spies*; to see the nakedness of the land ye are come.”

Genesis 42:11

“We are all one man's sons; we are true men, thy servants are no *spies*.”

Genesis 42:14

“And Joseph said unto them, That is it that I spake unto you, saying, Ye are *spies*.”

Genesis 42:16

“Send one of you, and let him fetch your brother, and ye shall be kept in prison, that your words may be proved, whether there be any truth in you: or else by the life of Pharaoh surely ye are *spies*.”

Genesis 42:30

“The man, who is the lord of the land, spake roughly to us, and took us *for spies of* the country.”

Genesis 42:31

“And we said unto him, We are true men; we are no *spies*.”

Genesis 42:34

“And bring your youngest brother unto me: then shall I know that ye are no *spies*, but that ye are true men: so will I deliver you your brother, and ye shall traffick in the land.”

Numbers 21:32

“And Moses sent *to spy out* Jaazer, and they took the villages thereof, and drove out the Amorites that were there.”

Deuteronomy 1:24

“And they turned and went up into the mountain, and came unto the valley of Eshcol, *and searched* it *out*.”

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Joshua 2:1

“And Joshua the son of Nun sent out of Shittim two men *to spy* secretly, saying, Go view the land, even Jericho. And they went, and came into an harlot's house, named Rahab, and lodged there.”

Joshua 6:22

“But Joshua had said unto the two men *that had spied out* the country, Go into the harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman, and all that she hath, as ye sware unto her.”

Joshua 6:23

“And the young men *that were spies* went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had; and they brought out all her kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel.”

Joshua 6:25

“And Joshua saved Rahab the harlot alive, and her father's household, and all that she had; and she dwelleth in Israel even unto this day; because she hid the messengers, which Joshua sent *to spy out* Jericho.”

Joshua 7:2

“And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which is beside Beth-aven, on the east side of Beth-el, and spake unto them, saying, Go up *and view* the country. And the men went up *and viewed* Ai.”

Joshua 14:7

“Forty years old was I when Moses the servant of the LORD sent me from Kadesh-barnea *to espy out* the land; and I brought him word again as it was in mine heart.”

Judges 18:2

“And the children of Dan sent of their family five men from their coasts, men of valour, from Zorah, and from Eshtaol, *to spy out* the land, and to search it; and they said unto them, Go, search the land: who when they came to mount Ephraim, to the house of Micah, they lodged there.”

Judges 18:14

“Then answered the five men that went *to spy out* the country of Laish, and said unto their brethren, Do ye know that there is in these houses an ephod, and teraphim, and a graven image, and a molten image? now therefore consider what ye have to do.”

Judges 18:17

“And the five men that went *to spy out* the land went up, and came in thither, and took the graven image, and the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image: and the priest stood in the entering of the gate with the six hundred men that were appointed with weapons of war.”

I Samuel 26:4

“David therefore sent out *spies*, and understood that Saul was come in very deed.”

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II Samuel 10:3

“And the princes of the children of Ammon said unto Hanun their lord, Thinkest thou that David doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee? hath not David rather sent his servants unto thee, to search the city, *and to spy it out*, and to overthrow it?”

II Samuel 15:10

“But Absalom sent *spies* throughout all the tribes of Israel, saying, As soon as ye hear the sound of the trumpet, then ye shall say, Absalom reigneth in Hebron.”

II Samuel 19:27

“*And he hath slandered* thy servant unto my lord the king; but my lord the king is as an angel of God: do therefore what is good in thine eyes.”

I Chronicles 19:3

“But the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun, Thinkest thou that David doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee? are not his servants come unto thee for to search, and to overthrow, *and to spy out* the land?”

Psalms 15:3

“He that *backbiteth* not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.”

Hosea 11:3

“I *taught* Ephraim also *to go*, taking them by their arms; but they knew not that I healed them.”

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It is to use destructive words "behind" ones back or when they are not there to defend themselves	<p>katalalos</p> <p>From Kata - to be against. Also it is a prefix for cast down</p>	<p><i>talkative against, that is, a slanderer: - backbiter. a defamer, evil speaker</i></p>	<p>Romans 1:29-31 "Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, <i>30Backbiters</i>, haters of God, spiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, <i>31</i>Without understanding, covenantbreakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:"</p>	<p>A person who discusses issues to or with a person versus behind their back.</p>

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Greek Word Study

Katalalos - *kat-al'-al-os* - talkative against, that is, a slanderer: - backbiter. a defamer, evil speaker

Romans 1:30

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Ways to tear up a person when he is not there to defend himself	<p>Katalalia</p> <p>Kata - to cast down</p> <p>Lalia - is to speak</p>	defamation: - backbiting, evil speaking.	<p>II Corinthians 12:20</p> <p>"For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and <i>that</i> I shall be found unto you such as ye would not: lest <i>there be</i> debates, envyings, wraths, strifes, backbitings, whisperings, swellings, tumults:"</p>	<p>I Peter 2:1</p> <p>"Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,"</p>

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"backbiting," are formed from kata "against" and leleo, "to speak"

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Backbiter / Backbiting - Greek

BACKBITER, BACKBITING

katalalos (NT:2637), a "backbiter," and **katalalia** (NT:2636), "backbiting," are formed from **kata**, "against," and **laleo**, "to speak." **Katalalos** is used in Rom 1:30. **Katalalia** is translated "evil speaking" in 1 Peter 2:1, "backbiting" in 2 Cor 12:20.

Note: The corresponding verb **katalaleo** the RV translates "speak against," in its five occurrences, James 4:11 (three times); 1 Peter 2:12, and 3:16; v, "speak evil," in all the passages except 1 Peter 2:12.

EVIL SPEAKING

1. blasphemia (NT:988) is translated "evil speaking" in Eph 4:31, KJV (RV, railing). See BLASPHEMY.

2. katalalia (NT:2636), "evil speaking, 1 Peter 2:1; see BACKBITING.