



Miriam

Numbers 12

Other References

Consider your Speech:

- ❖ Ephesians 4:29-32
- ❖ James 3:5-8

Envy and its Effects:

- ❖ Genesis 26:14
- ❖ Genesis 30:1

Warnings Against Envy

- ❖ Psalm 73:3
- ❖ Proverbs 3:31
- ❖ Psalm 37:1
- ❖ Proverbs 24:1,19

Further Study

Definition of Envy

- ❖ Mark 7:22
- ❖ Romans 1:29
- ❖ Galatians 5:21
- ❖ Titus 3:3
- ❖ 1 Timothy 6:4
- ❖ Matthew 27:18
- ❖ Mark 15:10

Envy is in Opposition to the Gospel:

- ❖ Acts 5:17
- ❖ Acts 13:45
- ❖ Acts 17:5

Christian Attitude Toward Envy:

- ❖ Galatians 5:26
- ❖ 1 Peter 2:1

Discussion Points:

- ✚ What aspect of Miriam's life most stood out to you?
- ✚ Have you ever experienced God's discipline? Did it cause your heart to soften or to harden towards God?
- ✚ How can you be a better leader?
- ✚ What can you do to support the leaders that God has placed in your life?

Personal Reflection:

✚ Look up Ephesians 4:29-32 and James 3:5-8. Consider your speech. Scripture tells us that our tongue can be used to build up others and give grace OR our tongue can destroy and be filled with deadly poison. Talk to the Lord about the impact your words have on others.

✚ **ENVY** is painful or resentful awareness of another's advantage joined with the desire to possess the same advantage. The advantage may concern material goods (Gen. 26:14) or social status (Gen. 30:1). Review the "Warnings Against Envy" to the left.

✚ Take some time to look up the "Further Study" verses to unpack the definition of envy and how it may be evident in your life. Talk to the Lord about how He can help you in this area.

Envy, it tortures the affections, it vexes the mind, it inflames the blood, it corrupts the heart, it wastes the spirits; and so it becomes man's tormentor and man's executioner at once. - Thomas Brooks

The cure for envy lies in living under a constant sense of the divine presence, worshipping God and communing with him all the day long, however long the day may seem. - C. H. Spurgeon