

# 2 Timothy 3:1-9

PART VI  
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## FOCUS TEXT:

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<sup>1</sup> But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. <sup>2</sup> For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, **revilers**, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, <sup>3</sup> **unloving**, irreconcilable, **malicious gossips**, **without self-control**, **brutal**, haters of good, <sup>4</sup> **treacherous**, **reckless**, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, <sup>5</sup> holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; Avoid such men as these. <sup>6</sup> For among them are those who enter into households and captivate weak women weighed down with sins, led on by various impulses, <sup>7</sup> always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>8</sup> Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so these *men* also oppose the truth, men of depraved mind, rejected in regard to the faith. <sup>9</sup> But they will not make further progress; for their folly will be obvious to all, just as Jannes' and Jambres' folly was also.

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### revile:

1. to assail with contemptuous language; address or speak of abusively.

### unloving:

1. lacking any profoundly tender affection for another person, as for a parent, child, or friend.
2. lacking concern for the well-being of others.
3. lacking the reverent affection due, from all creatures, to God.
4. to dislike or detest; have animosity toward; have hatred of.

### malicious gossip:

1. communication that inflicts injury, harm, or suffering on another, especially through idle talk or rumor, about the personal or private affairs of others (either because of a hostile impulse or out of deep-seated meanness or hatred).
2. evil intent on the part of a person who commits a wrongful act injurious to others especially by bearing false witness, creating doubts by innuendo or defaming a person's good reputation, character and/or name.
3. the unauthorized sharing of confidential or personal data about another person with those who have no need to know and cannot or have no responsibility to act in ways that benefit the subject person or community.

### without self-control:

1. lacking control or restraint of oneself or one's actions, feelings, appetites, etc.
2. without self-discipline.

### brutal:

1. cruel; harsh; of or pertaining to lower animals; irrational; unreasoning; inhuman.

### treacherous:

1. characterized by faithlessness or readiness to betray trust; traitorous/treasonous.
2. deceptive/deceitful, untrustworthy, unreliable, unstable or insecure, unfaithful.
3. dangerous; hazardous.

### reckless:

1. insufficiently concerned about the consequences of one's action; without caution; careless, rash, heedless, negligent, imprudent, unwise.

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**Proverbs 6:16-19 (NASB95)**

<sup>6</sup> There are six things which the LORD hates, Yes, seven which are an abomination to Him: <sup>17</sup> Haughty eyes, **a lying tongue**, And hands that shed innocent blood, <sup>18</sup> A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that run rapidly to evil, <sup>19</sup> **A false witness who utters lies**, And **one who spreads strife among brothers**.

**Proverbs 20:19 (NASB95)**

<sup>19</sup> He who goes about as a slanderer reveals secrets, Therefore **do not associate with a gossip**.

**Proverbs 26:20-26 (NASB95)**

<sup>20</sup> For lack of wood the fire goes out, And **where there is no whisperer, contention quiets down**. <sup>21</sup> Like charcoal to hot embers and wood to fire, So is a contentious man to kindle strife. <sup>22</sup> **The words of a whisperer are like dainty morsels, And they go down into the innermost parts of the body**. <sup>23</sup> **Like an earthen vessel overlaid with silver dross Are burning lips and a wicked heart**. <sup>24</sup> He who hates disguises *it* with his lips, But he lays up deceit in his heart. <sup>25</sup> When he speaks graciously, do not believe him, For there are seven abominations in his heart. <sup>26</sup> *Though his* hatred covers itself with guile, **His wickedness will be revealed before the assembly**. {see also **Proverbs 18:8 (NASB95)**}

**Psalms 15:1-3 (NASB95)**

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, who may abide in Your tent? Who may dwell on Your holy hill? <sup>2</sup> **He who walks with integrity, and works righteousness, And speaks truth in his heart**. <sup>3</sup> **He does not slander with his tongue, Nor does evil to his neighbor, Nor takes up a reproach against his friend;**

**Ephesians 4:29-32 (NASB95)**

<sup>29</sup> Let **no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification** according to the need *of the moment*, so that it will give grace to those who hear. <sup>30</sup> Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup> Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and **slander be put away from you**, along with all malice. <sup>32</sup> Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you.

**Titus 3:10-11 (NASB95)**

<sup>10</sup> **Reject a factious man after a first and second warning**, <sup>11</sup> **knowing that such a man is perverted and is sinning, being self-condemned**.

