

**“But let no one bring a charge, let no one accuse another, for your people are like those who bring charges against a priest.”**  
(Hosea 4:4)



Before we speak or bring charge and judge someone we need to be sure about the real matter and the truth of the things.

The word of God says, **“Do not judge, or you too will be judged. <sup>2</sup> For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”** (Matthew 7:1-2) But that does not mean that we will not face sin and wrong doing. We are called to judge sin and reject evil, knowing also that we will be judged if we sin and do the same wrong doing.

**But let no one bring a charge, let no one accuse another:** That applicable if there is no real wrong doing then no need to speak. It is easy to say something without any evidence or proof. Therefore we need to be careful. **“Every matter must be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.”** (2 Corinthians 13:1b) Otherwise if we speak without any real evidence that will bring harm and evil. People may speak against one another with wrong motive to harm or revenge not because they are standing against sin or wrong doing. So we need to be careful when we hear any accusation.

**For your people are like those who bring charges against a priest:** When people they don't like the sound teaching and instruction that comes from the word they might start to

speak bad against the person who deliver the Word of God. But that it has very harmful effects. Not only against the person who teach and deliver the message, but its evil effect will extend more than that. When the people hear bad thing against the person who teach the word they will not trust and may not accept the word of God from him because someone spoke bad against the priest of God, and in moving away from the word of God they will be harmed.

God will judge this evil act: **“Anyone who shows contempt for the judge or for the priest who stands ministering there to the LORD your God is to be put to death. You must purge the evil from Israel.”** (Deuteronomy 17:12) God call us to judge false accusation, slander and false testimony. Therefore be on your guard on what you speaks and says.



### **My Prayer**

**Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord I thank you for your word that teaches me your ways. Lord I repent from my sins \_\_\_\_\_, and I will not speak evil against anyone and I will not entertain any accusation without any proof. Help me to discern the truth of the matter and deliver me from the evil one and the schemes of the devil. This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.**



**“Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you.”**

(1 Thessalonians 5:12)

# **The Lord Is My Shepherd**

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**“Obey your leaders and submit to their authority, because they keep watch over you as those who must give an account. Do this so that their work will be a joy, not a burden, for that would be of no benefit to you.”**

(Hebrews 13:17)

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