

# “The Dangers Of Prejudice”

Lesson Text: **1 Timothy 5:21 (NKJB; NET; NASB).**

## I. The Prejudice Of Our World Today.

- **Racial & Cultural Prejudice.** (Black, White, Indian, Japanese, Chinese, Jews, Or Mexican....)
  - Evidenced By Racial Slurs, Racial Divide, Unfair Treatment, Violence Toward Races & Cultures...
  - Black Lives Matter (All Lives Matter!), Discrimination & Reverse Discrimination....
- **Economic Prejudice.** (Rich, Middle Class, Or Poor...)
  - The Haves Versus The Have Nots.... Jealousy Over Possessions And The Flaunting Of Such!
- **Gender Prejudice.** (Males Versus Females....)
  - Men Who Hate Women And Women Who Hate Men.
- **Intellectual Prejudice.** (Intelligent, Average, Or Below Average....)
  - The Wisdom Of This World Often Brings Arrogance & Contempt For Others Less Intelligent...
- **Political Prejudice.** (Democrat, Republican, Socialist, Or Independant).
  - Cruel Mocking, Political Satire, Violence, & Discrimination/Unfair Treatment.
- **Religious Prejudice.** (Religiously Divided People Can Act Very Unkind To One Another!).
  - Hatred, Prejudicial Slurs, Jokes, & Even Violence Toward Religious People....
- **These All Have No Place In The Life Of A Christian!**
  - As We Know The Source— The Devil! **Titus 3:2-3.**

## II. The Prejudice Of Biblical Times.

- Egyptians Toward Jews- **Genesis 43:32; 46:34.**
- Jews And Gentiles- **Acts 11:1-4.**
  - The Jews On Loving Your Neighbor, Quote From “Lessons From The Parables” pg. 68.
- **John 4:9**, Jews And Samaritans Had a Long Standing Animosity After The Return.
  - **John 4:4**, “*And he must needs go through Samaria.*” (**KJB**).

Travel through Samaria was not geographically necessary; the normal route for Jews ran up the east side of the Jordan River (Transjordan). Although some take the impersonal verb had to (δεῖ, dei) here to indicate logical necessity only, normally in John’s Gospel its use involves God’s will or plan (3:7, 3:14, 3:30, 4:4, 4:20, 4:24, 9:4, 10:16, 12:34, 20:9).

(**NET Bible First Edition; Bible Footnote**)

## III. The Dangers To Our Faith.

- Prejudice Leads To Bitterness, Hatred, & Animosity Toward Certain Groups.
  - **Ephesians 4:31.**
- Prejudice Leads To Acting On This With Anger & Violence.
  - **James 1:19-20; 1 John 3:15; 3:12** (Cain).
- Prejudice Leads To Division Where Division Should Not Exist.
  - Quote On Jews & Gentiles, “Lessons From The Parables” pg. 67-68.
  - **Ephesians 2:14; John 10:16**; Why Peter’s Sin Was Not Insignificant- **Galatians 2:11-14.**
- Prejudice Violates The Golden Rule & Love For Our Neighbor.
  - **Matthew 7:12; Matthew 22:37-39.**
- Prejudice Leads Us To Lose Our Good Character.
  - **2 Peter 3:17-18.**