

3. We have established that in the James 3 context, the best translation is “envy.” James asserts that those who have advanced spiritually will demonstrate an honorable manner of life of rectitude and probity by their recall and application of doctrine.
4. It is from this biblical lifestyle that such a person develops, retains, and applies wisdom drawn from his inventory of doctrine in his *kardía*.
5. Our exegesis of James 3:14 introduced us to the study of the Doctrine of Envy. Here is a quick summary of how far we advanced in verse 14 when we undertook that subject.
6. Beginning with James 3:13, James establishes a clear contrast between the honorable manner of life, and the dishonorable lifestyle depicted in verse 14.
7. Verse 14 is introduced by the adversative conjunction **δέ (dé)** along with the first-class condition of the particle, **εἰ (ei)**: “But if, and it is true.” Together they separate verse 13 which is positive from verse 14 which is negative.
8. Those James addresses “have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in their *kardías*.” This certifies that these believers have regressed back into the cosmic inventory of ideas they initially rejected in favor of doctrine.
9. This reversion has re-facilitated old wheel-tracks of “bitter jealousy”: **πικρός ζήλος (pikrós zēlos)** and “selfish ambition,” **ἐριθεία (eritheía)**. Here is some background on the noun, *eritheía*:

Unknown in the LXX [Septuagint] and the Greek language before the New Testament, *eritheía* is used seven times in the New Testament, including twice in the sin lists (2 Corinthians 12:20; Galatians 5:20).

The term *eritheía* (“paid work”) originally had a positive sense; but it came to mean that which is done solely for interested motives (“What’s in it for me?”). Hence the meaning: contrive to gain a position or a magistracy not in order to serve the state but to gain honor and wealth. From that developed two other meanings: dispute or intrigue to gain advantages; or personal ambition, the exclusive pursuit of one’s own interests.⁶

⁶ Ceslas Spicq, *Theological Lexicon of the New Testament*, trans. and ed. James D. Ernest (Peabody: Hendrickson Publishers, 1994), 2:70.



10. We have already analyzed the NASB’s translation, “bitter jealousy” to read “bitter envying,” as we analyzed the significant differences between “jealousy” and “envying.”
11. This is followed by “selfish ambition” from the noun, **ἐριθεία (eritheía)**: “exclusive pursuit of one’s own personal desires.”
12. This is amplified by use of the noun, **καρδία (kardía)**: “heart; stream of consciousness; in this context, the soul’s inventory of cosmic ideas instead of divine viewpoint.”
13. James then exposes the primary mental attitude that underwrites this mind–set. This person is commanded to stop being arrogant with the present middle imperative of prohibition of the verb, **κατακαυχάομαι (katakaucháomai)**: “to arrogantly boast against another.”
14. The imperative of prohibition of the verb, **katakaucháomai** and the negative of prohibition of the conjunction, **μή (mĕ)**, becomes the 26th imperative mood of the book. It condemns the end result of this mental attitude which results in an overt use of the tongue.
15. This is indicated by the following verb which is the 27th imperative mood of the book, the present middle imperative of the verb, **ψεύδομαι (pséúdomai)**: “to lie, speak falsely or deceitfully, to defraud, to cheat.”
16. When a believer functions in the cosmic systems and his soul’s inventory has been transformed into the advanced stages of reversionism, he suffers inversion of thought.
17. What he used to consider to be truth, he now rejects as the lie, so that the lie is now regarded as the truth.
18. Believing the lie is the truth, he arrogantly assumes those who maintain an inventory of biblical absolutes are worthy targets for his corrective diatribes.
19. This results in his verbal assaults “against the truth,” indicated by the preposition **κατά (katá)**: “against,” followed by: **τῆς ἀλήθεια (tĕs alĕtheia)**: “the truth.”

James 3:14 But if [**δέ (dé)**: “but” (strictly adversative)] you have bitter envy and exclusive pursuit of one’s own personal self-interests in your *kardía*’s stream of consciousness, [**IM-26**] do not arrogantly boast and [**IM-27**] lie against the truth [**τῆς ἀλήθεια (tĕs alĕtheia)**]. (EXT)

(End JAS3-92. See JAS3-93.Rev for continuation of study at p. 381.)



20. The writer of Hebrews gives some additional insight to James 3:14 where he criticizes believers who go into reversionism:

Hebrews 6:4 For those who have been enlightened [**faith alone in Christ alone**] and having tasted for themselves the gracious gift from heaven [**salvation**] and having become partners with the Holy Spirit,

v. 5 and having tasted for themselves the noble doctrines from God and His inherent powers of the coming age [**Millennium**],

v. 6 and having gone astray [**into reversionism**], it is impossible to restore them again to the spiritual advance so long as they again and again crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh [**returned to the animal sacrifices**] and expose Him to public defamation [**by placing themselves under the authority of the Levitical priests**]. (EXT)

21. Lying against the truth is in ascendancy in client nation America. Those with electronic contrivances are lying straight-faced with their proclamations of cosmic propaganda.
22. Post January 20, their planed overthrow of the U.S. government is clearly underway. The current chaos is an exposé of cosmic corruption from the degenerate souls who populate the dark side.
23. Many age18 and over have revealed the content of their souls based on for whom they voted. The percentage chosen by the Progressives clarify where they stand and likewise by that of the conservatives.
24. Each group has revealed what form of wisdom their souls possess: cosmic/totalitarian or establishment/biblical. Here is a definition that provides definitions of wisdom in *The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language*, fifth edition, s.v.:
- Wisdom: The ability to discern or judge what is true, right, or lasting; insight. Common sense; good judgment. The sum of learning through the ages; knowledge. Wise teachings of the ancient sages. A wise outlook, plan, or course of action.**
25. In the public arena of 2020, many assumed they were wise, but according to the AHDEL's definitions, they were proved none the wiser having been captured by the Dark Side's propaganda.

26. Legions have not inculcated the thinking, writings, and teachings of those who, through the revelation of the Holy Spirit to biblical writers that resulted in the divine inspiration of Scripture.
27. The absence of present-day interest in serious study of the Bible has allowed a multiplicity of human-viewpoint writings and verbal bloviations to rush into the resultant void with a conglomeration of the lie, propaganda, indoctrination, disinformation, human viewpoint, human good, and evil.
28. The best word to define this current system is the noun:
Brainwashing: a forcible indoctrination to induce someone to give up basic political, social, or religious beliefs and attitudes and to accept contrasting regimented ideas; persuasion by propaganda.¹
29. This word was coined to describe the mental and physical mind-control tactics the communists imposed upon Korean POWs during the 1950s. These tactics were developed and applied from research done by Ivan Pavlov, (1849–1936) who formulated experiments regarding the conditional reflexes in dogs which he codified into laws. This research was expanded by the communists in China and later by Korea who applied its applications on American POWs during the Korean War (1950–c. 1954).
30. Pavlov was a Russian scientist whose research was strictly focused on the behaviors of dogs. It was Korean communists who used American POWs to replace the dogs. What the latter did to our soldiers was horrific and from which emerged the word, “brainwashing.”
31. This diabolical term was proved to be an effective weapon in psychological warfare in the 1950s. Its tactics have been tested outside the laboratories and today are presently utilized by the wide variety of media: print, broadcast, film, and digital.
32. Edward Hunter was a roving correspondent in the mid-1950s. Following the Korean War, he did research on those soldiers who returned from Chinese prison camps in Manchuria where the soldiers were held and subjected to the horrors of brainwashing.
33. In 1956, Hunter released a book describing what went on in those camps along with the history of brainwashing’s origin and its development as a system of controlling the minds of their captives.

¹ Merriam-Webster’s Collegiate Dictionary, 11th ed. (2014), s.v. “brainwashing.”

