# QUARRELING IN THE CHURCH

## THESE THINGS OUGHT NOT TO BE June 26, 2022

#### **KEY SCRIPTURES**

- 2 Timothy 2:23-26
- Matthew 5:9, 22
- Proverbs 15:18; 18:7, 9; 19:13; 20:3; 25:24; 30:33
- 1 Peter 1:14-16
- Ecclesiastes 7:9
- James 3:1-10, 14-18; 5:7-9
- Numbers 14:27-35
- Luke 6:43-45
- 2 Corinthians 5:17
- 1 Timothy 6:3-8

### **KEY POINTS**

- Quarreling is a sign of foolishness and ignorance and is a snare of the Devil to take control of your life.
- When we think we are right (and righteous) and begin to judge others, we might actually be wrong and ensnared by our enemy.
- We are born with a snare in our soul that encourages us to have our own way.
- We must be born again to overcome our selfish ambitions.
- The turn from quarreling to doing the Devil's will happens in the snap of a finger.
- Strife is the only fruit of quarreling. It produces separation and causes our prayers to be hindered.
- Our quarreling and rebellion effects those around us and our children and grandchildren for generations.
- Quarrels produces envy, dissension, slander, evil suspicions, and constant friction among people who are depraved of the truth, imagining that godliness is a means of gain.
- We are holy because of our Father's endless mercy and grace that He lavished upon us in Christ Jesus!

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Have you ever argued with someone because you were so sure you were right, only to find out later that you were wrong? Share about that experience.
- 2. Respond to the idea that quarreling with someone in the Church is actually quarreling with Jesus.
- 3. What does it mean to be holy?
- 4. Do you know Him?