

You Speak Evil of the Law of Christ
James 4: 11

The believer is under the law of grace. Condemning our brethren is speaking evil of the law of our Lord. In his sermon on the mount the Lord Jesus taught brethren not to speak evil one of another (Mt. 7:1). If we do it anyway we judge our Lord's word of grace to be no good. Furthermore, we speak evil of the law when we count that holy which our Lord never made holy or condemn that which God never condemned. Nothing is unclean of itself, but if a brother esteems it to be so, to him it is. Let the stronger not make it a reason for condemning the weaker and let not the weaker make it a reason to condemn those who do not observe as he does. The word of the Lord is, "the kingdom of God is not meat and drink." Believers are made the righteousness of God by the Holy Spirit through the blood of Christ. Christ, our Peacemaker, has made peace for our brethren with our God. The kingdom of God is rejoicing over the great things Christ has done in making us accepted with God (Rom 14: 14-19.) Let us follow our Lord's law of grace, not making things holy which he never made holy; else we speak evil of the Lord's law of love.