Word Study: Envy, Contention, Strife

**Envy/Envying/Envyings**

- **Hebrew Strong's Number:** 7068 qinʾâ
- Root: from <H7065>
- Part of Speech: n f
  - from <H7065> (qana'); *jealousy* or *envy*; - envy (-ied), jealousy, × sake, zeal

**Job 5:2** For wrath killeth the foolish man, and *envy* slayeth the silly one.

**Proverbs 14:30** A sound heart *is* the life of the flesh: but *envy* the rottenness of the bones.

**Proverbs 27:4** Wrath *is* cruel, and anger *is* outrageous; but who *is* able to stand before *envy*?

**Ecclesiastes 9:6** Also their love, and their hatred, and their *envy*, is now perished; neither have they any more a portion for ever in any *thing* that is done under the sun.

**Isaiah 11:13** The *envy* also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim.

**Isaiah 26:11** LORD, *when* thy hand is lifted up, they will not see: *but* they shall see, and be ashamed for *their envy* at the people; yea, the fire of thine enemies shall devour them.

**Ezekiel 35:11** Therefore, *as* I live, saith the Lord GOD, I will even do according to thine anger, and according to thine *envy* which thou hast used out of thy hatred against them; and I will make myself known among them, when I have judged thee.

**Proverbs 3:31** Envy *thou* not the oppressor, and choose none of his ways.

**Proverbs 23:17** Let not thine heart *envy* sinners: but *be thou* in the fear of the LORD all the day long.

**Isaiah 11:13** The *envy* also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off: Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not vex Ephraim.
Matthew 27:18 For he knew that for envy they had delivered him.

Mark 15:10 For he knew that the chief priests had delivered him for envy.

Romans 1:29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

Philippians 1:15 Some indeed preach Christ even of envy and strife; and some also of good will:

1 Timothy 6:4 He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,

Titus 3:3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.

James 4:5 Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy?

Galatians 5:21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Romans 13:13 Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.

1 Corinthians 3:3 For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?

James 3:14 But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.

James 3:16 For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.
2 Corinthians 12:20 For I fear, lest, when I come, I shall not find you such as I would, and that I shall be found unto you such as ye would not: lest there be debates, envyings, wraths, strifes, backbitings, whisperings, swellings, tumults:

Galatians 5:26 Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

Contention/Contentions/Contentious

Proverbs 13:10 Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is wisdom.

Proverbs 17:14 The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out water: therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with.

Proverbs 18:6 A fool’s lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes.
Proverbs 22:10 Cast out the scorners, and 
contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease.

Jeremiah 15:10 Woe is me, my mother, that thou hast borne me a man of strife and a man of contention to the whole earth! I have neither lent on usury, nor men have lent to me on usury; yet every one of them doth curse me.

Habakkuk 1:3 Why dost thou shew me iniquity, and cause me to behold grievance? for spoiling and violence are before me: and there are that raise up strife and contention.

Proverbs 21:19 It is better to dwell in the wilderness, than with a contentious and an angry woman.

Proverbs 27:15 A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike.

Acts 15:39 And the contention was so sharp between them, that they departed asunder one from the other: and so Barnabas took Mark, and sailed unto Cyprus;

Philippians 1:16 The one preach Christ of contention, not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds:
1 Thessalonians 2:2 But even after that we had suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye know, at Philippi, we were bold in our God to speak unto you the gospel of God with much contention.

Proverbs 18:18-19 The lot causeth contentions to cease, and parteth between the mighty. 19 A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city: and their contentions are like the bars of a castle.

Proverbs 19:13 A foolish son is the calamity of his father: and the contentions of a wife are a continual dropping.

1 Corinthians 1:11 For it hath been declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you.

Titus 3:9 But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain.

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Proverbs 26:21 As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire; so is a contentious man to kindle strife.

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**Romans 2:8**  But unto them that are **contentious**, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath,

**1 Corinthians 11:16**  But if any man seem to be **contentious**, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God.

**Psalms 31:20**  Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the **strife** of tongues.

**Psalms 55:9**  Destroy, O Lord, and divide their tongues: for I have seen violence and **strife** in the city.

**Proverbs 15:18**  A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but **he that is** slow to anger appeaseth **strife**.
Proverbs 17:1 Better is a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of sacrifices with strife.

Proverbs 20:3 It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling.

Proverbs 26:17 He that passeth by, and meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is like one that taketh a dog by the ears.

Proverbs 26:21 As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire; so is a contentious man to kindle strife.

Proverbs 30:33 Surely the churning of milk bringeth forth butter, and the wringing of the nose bringeth forth blood: so the forcing of wrath bringeth forth strife.

Isaiah 58:4 Behold, ye fast for strife and debate, and to smite with the fist of wickedness: ye shall not fast as ye do this day, to make your voice to be heard on high.

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Psalm 80:6 Thou makest us a strife unto our neighbours: and our enemies laugh among themselves.

Proverbs 15:18 A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger appeaseth strife.

Proverbs 16:28 A froward man soweth strife: and a whisperer separateth chief friends.

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Proverbs 26:20 Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceaseth.

Proverbs 28:25 He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat.
Proverbs 29:22 An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in transgression.

Psalms 106:32 They angered him also at the waters of strife, so that it went ill with Moses for their sakes:

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Galatians 5:20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

Philippians 2:3 Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

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Hebrews 6:16 For men verily swear by the greater: and an oath for confirmation is to them an end of all strife.

Proverbs 10:12 Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.
**1 Timothy 6:4** He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, **strife**, railings, evil surmisings,

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from the same as <G3054> (logomacheo); disputation about trifles (“logomachy”) - strife of words.

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**2 Timothy 2:23** But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender **strifes**.

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**Greek Strong's Number:** 3163  
Transliteration: machē  
Root: from <G3164>  
Part of Speech: n f

from <G3164> (machomai); a battle, i.e. (figurative) controversy - fighting, strive, striving.