

## Tattling, Gossip, or Telling Rumors

### Questions to explore the heart:

Could it be that you are delighting (*enjoying, taking pleasure, or happy*) in getting your brother / sister in trouble?

Rather than tattling, how can you encourage him / her toward love and good deeds?

Could it be that you are delighting (*enjoying, taking pleasure, or happy*) that someone else's misfortune?

### Comment(s) or Correction:

If you are trying to get your brother / sister in trouble, you will get in trouble.

### Scriptures to memorize:

Whoever gloats (*self-satisfaction, pleasure, or triumph*) over disaster will not go unpunished. Proverbs 17:5

Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. Hebrews 10:24

It is foolish to belittle (*demean, put down, or disparage*) one's neighbor; a sensible person keeps quiet. A gossip (*rumor or hearsay*) goes around telling secrets, but those who are trustworthy can keep a confidence (*self-assurance, self-confidence, or self-belief*). Proverbs 11:12-13

A troublemaker plants seeds of strife; gossip separates the best of friends. Proverbs 16:28

Love does not rejoice about injustice (*unfairness, prejudice, inequality or wrong*) but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. 1 Corinthians 13:6

### Words of Encouragement:

Encourage one another to love each other and do good deeds.

### Note:

**Child should come directly to Mom or Dad when another child is endangering himself, (someone else, or destroying property)**