

To Give Or Receive A Bribe Is A Sin

(If Paul Paid Bribes Then Why Did He Spend So Much Time In Jail?)

2 Corinthians 7:2 ... we wronged no one, we corrupted no one, we took advantage of no one.)

Verse	Say or Imply About Giving A Bribe	Say or Imply About Taking a Bribe	Bribes: What Is God Teaching Us
Exodus 23:8 You shall not take a bribe , for a bribe blinds the clear-sighted and subverts the cause of the just.			
Deuteronomy 16:19 You shall not distort justice; you shall not be partial, and you shall not take a bribe , for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise and perverts the words of the righteous			
Deuteronomy 27:25 Cursed is he who accepts a bribe to strike down an innocent person.' And all the people shall say, 'Amen.'			
1 Samuel 8:1-5 (:3) His sons, however, did not walk in his ways, but turned aside after dishonest gain and took bribes and perverted justice.			
2 Chronicles 19:7 Now then let the fear of the LORD be upon you; be very careful what you do, for the LORD our God will have no part in unrighteousness or partiality or the taking of a bribe .			
Psalms 15:5 He does not put out his money at interest, Nor does he take a bribe against the innocent. He who does these things will never be shaken.			
Psalms 26:1-12 (:10) In whose hands is a wicked scheme, And whose right hand is full of bribes .			
Proverbs 15:27 He who profits illicitly troubles his own house, But he who hates bribes will live.			
Proverbs 17:23 A wicked man receives a bribe from the bosom To pervert the ways of justice.			

<p>Proverbs 29:4 The king gives stability to the land by justice, But a man who takes bribes overthrows it.</p>			
<p>Ecclesiastes 7:7 For oppression makes a wise man mad, And a bribe corrupts the heart.</p>			
<p>Isaiah 1:23 Your rulers are rebels And companions of thieves; Everyone loves a bribe And chases after rewards. They do not defend the orphan, Nor does the widow's plea come before them. Isaiah 5:23 Who justify the wicked for a bribe , And take away the rights of the ones who are in the right!</p>			
<p>Isaiah 33:15 He who walks righteously and speaks with sincerity, He who rejects unjust gain And shakes his hands so that they hold no bribe ; He who stops his ears from hearing about bloodshed And shuts his eyes from looking upon evil;</p>			
<p>Ezekiel 22:12 In you they have taken bribes to shed blood; you have taken interest and profits, and you have injured your neighbors for gain by oppression, and you have forgotten Me," declares the Lord GOD.</p>			
<p>Micah 3:9-12 (:11) Her leaders pronounce judgment for a bribe , Her priests instruct for a price And her prophets divine for money. Yet they lean on the LORD saying, " Is not the LORD in our midst? Calamity will not come upon us."</p>			
<p>Amos 5:12 For I know your transgressions are many and your sins are great, You who distress the righteous and accept bribes And turn aside the poor in the gate.</p>			
<p>Micah 7:3 Concerning evil, both hands do it well. The prince asks, also the judge, for a bribe , And a great man speaks the desire of his soul; So they weave it together.</p>			

Bribes: Great Men of God In The Word of God

I Samuel 12:1 – 25 (:3)

1. Who is speaking?
2. Re-read verse 3 – Did he take bribes?
3. What is the setting?
4. In the context of this setting, why is it important that he be able to present himself as free from giving or taking bribes? (Knowing what you do of Samuel and his life, why would he mention this particular sin?)

Job 6:1 – 7:21 (Job 6:22)

1. Who is speaking?
2. Re-read Job 6:22 – Did he take bribes?
3. What is the setting?
4. In the context of this setting, why is it important that he be able to present himself as free from giving or taking bribes? (Knowing what you do of Job and his life, why would he mention this particular sin?)

Daniel (Daniel 6:4)

1. Daniel 6:1 – 28 Who is the central character?
2. Re-read verse 4 – Did he take bribes?
3. What is the setting?
4. In the context of this setting, why is it important that he be able to present himself as free from giving or taking bribes? (Knowing what you do of Daniel and his life, why would he mention this particular sin?)

Acts 24:1 - 27

1. Who is speaking?
2. Re-read Acts 24:24 – 27 – Did he take bribes?
3. What is the setting?
4. In the context of this setting, why is it important that he be able to present himself as free from giving or taking bribes? (Knowing what you do of Paul and his life, why would he mention this particular sin?)