

in order to besmirch them, but to cleanse them. He never sullied anyone, but, on the contrary, cleansed all those who desired to be.

What a rebuke for many of us, who try to cleanse ourselves and work twice as hard at vilifying others!

We cast mud at our own siblings. Even Christ weeps when He sees us besmirching with the mud of slander those whom He cleansed with His own blood...

» Saint Nicholas Velimirovich

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