

SERMON APPLICATION SHEET FOR:

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Tongue Taming

James 3:1-12

April 16, 2023

Sermon Text	Sermon Notes
<p>James 3:1 Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. [2] For we all stumble in many ways. And if anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle his whole body. [3] If we put bits into the mouths of horses so that they obey us, we guide their whole bodies as well. [4] Look at the ships also: though they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. [5] So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great things. How great a forest is set ablaze by such a small fire! [6] And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell. [7] For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, [8] but no human being can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. [9] With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. [10] From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so. [11] Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? [12] Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water.</p>	<p>Since our tongues are tied to our hearts God's grace is essential to transform our talk.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="876 451 1356 483">1. The Tongue Tests Teachers [1-2]<li data-bbox="876 630 1534 661">2. The Power of the Tongue for Good or Bad [3-8]<li data-bbox="876 808 1477 840">3. The Dilemma of the Double-tongued [9-12] <p>Memory verse for 2023-</p> <p>Philippians 4:19 And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.</p>

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Sermon Application Questions

1. When have you seen a biblical illustration or analogy help deepen your understanding and application of a biblical truth?

2. Do you have examples from your life where a tongue had a powerfully good impact? How about a powerfully bad impact?

3. What impact (for good or bad) has there been in your life from how you talk to yourself?

4. In light of Proverbs 4:23 and Luke 6:45 how do we practically address the root heart matters before they become tongue issues?

5. How does the gospel of God's grace and the power of the Holy Spirit work give us hope and help with tongue taming?

Prayer Requests

This week our family will lift up requests for:

This week our family will praise the Lord for:

HFG Notes & Actions:

Next HFG meeting is: