

Understanding the Dangers of the Tongue

James 3:1-12

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INTRODUCTION:

Give careful attention to your speech understanding:

1. The stricter judgement teachers incur (1-2a)

2. The directing influence of the tongue (2b-5a)

3. The destructive potential of the tongue (5b-6)

- i. It is the very world of iniquity**
- ii. Defiles the entire body**
- iii. Sets on fire the course of our life**
- iv. Is set on fire by hell**

4. The untamable nature of the tongue (7-8)

5. The unacceptable disparity of the tongue (9-12)

Ephesian 4:30

We are to speak but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

Ephesians 5:4

We are to use our speech to give thanks

I Peter 2:9

To Proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light;

Colossians 3:17

We are to do everything in word and deed in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ

Matthew 10:32

We are to use our speech to confess Jesus as Lord

Colossians 4:6

We are to Let our speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that we will know how we should respond to each person

I Peter 3:15

We must be ready to give an account for the hope that is in us, yet with gentleness and reverence;

Ephesians 4:15

we must speak the truth in love,

Hebrews 3:13

We must encourage one another day after day, as long as it is still called "Today," so that none of you us be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

I Thessalonias 5:11

Encourage one another

Build up one another

Hebrews 10:24

Spur one another on

James 5:16

Confess our sins to one another

Pray for one another