

#694 Power Under Control (James 3:1-12)

- 1) The Power to _____
The tongue must _____ the force of your old nature that wants to control you and make you sin.
- 2) The Power to _____
_____ fire spreads, consuming the fuel in its path while it wreaks destruction.
Some animals are poisonous, and some _____ spread poison.
- 3) The Power to _____
If the tongue is inconsistent, there is something radically _____ with the heart.

Twelve Words That Can Transform Your Life

_____ and _____ .
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Discussion Questions

- 1. Regarding this sermon, is there any truth that stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful, or difficult to grasp?
- 2. Explain a time when your tongue either got you in trouble or someone else’s tongue hurt you deeply.
- 3. Of the three powers of the tongue, which one causes you the most reason to be careful with your words? Why?
- 4. Can you add to list of 12 words that can transform your life? Why did you select these words as additions?
- 5. Pray for one another that your words may be carefully guarded and submitted to the Lordship of Christ.

Supporting Scriptures

Proverbs 18:21a The tongue has the power of life and death,

Psalms 141:3-4a Set a guard over my mouth, Lord; keep watch over the door of my lips. Do not let my heart be drawn to what is evil

Psalms 39:1-3 I said, “I will watch my ways and keep my tongue from sin; I will put a muzzle on my mouth while in the presence of the wicked. So I remained utterly silent, not even saying anything good. But my anguish increased; my heart grew hot within me. While I meditated, the fire burned; then I spoke with my tongue:”

Colossians 4:6 Let your speech be always full of grace, seasoned with salt.

Luke 6:45 A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of.