

WEDNESDAY EVENING
BIBLE STUDY

OPEN YOUR BIBLE TO:
JAMES 3:1-5

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Your Tongue Is A Dangerous Power Tool

1. Dangerous Because Every Word Will Be Judged (v1-2)

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Matthew 12

36 But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. **37** For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.

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These words do not forbid doing what we can to direct and instruct others in the way of their duty or to reprove them in a Christian way for what is amiss; but we must not make our own sentiments a standard by which to try all others.

Matthew Henry, Matthew Henry's Commentary on the Whole Bible

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What we say to others can last a long time, for good or for evil. The casual sarcastic or critical remark can inflict a lasting injury. The well-timed encouragement or compliment can inspire someone for the rest of their life.

David Guzik, Enduring Word Commentary

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34 Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

35 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things.

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How many a one has determined never again to utter a hasty or unkind word, only to find that in a moment of thoughtlessness his best resolution has been broken by the activity of this unruly member, the tongue, whose power for good or evil is so great.

H. A. Ironside, Ironside's Notes On James

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In the multitude of words sin is not lacking, But he who restrains his lips is wise.
Proverbs 10:19

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If the tongue is inconsistent, there is something radically wrong with the heart.

Warren Wiersbe, The Bible Exposition Commentary

4. Dangerous Because It Is Easily Misused (v9-12)

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Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.

Ephesians 4:29

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Just as a horse needs a rider holding the reins, and a ship needs a pilot at the rudder, so your tongue needs a master; and God is the only one who can do the job.

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Any Christian can ask for the grace needed, for God gives good gifts and gives them generously. There is, then, no justification for corrupt habits of speech in our churches today.

Thomas Constable, Expository Notes Of Dr. Constable