

# THE TONGUE: BLASTING OR BLESSING

## I. WALK THROUGH JAMES 3:1-12 TO FEEL THE WEIGHT OF ITS APPEAL

1. The Difficulty of Taming the Tongue (vs.1-2)
2. The Disproportionate Power of the Tongue (vs.3-5)
3. The Destruction Caused by the Tongue (vs.6-7)
4. The Deadly Inconsistency That Plagues the Tongue (vs.8-12)

## II. SET JAMES 3:1-12 IN CONTEXT OF THE WHOLE BIBLE

1. Job (Job 31:1)
2. Solomon (Proverbs 4:23-24)
3. Jesus (Matthew 12:34-37)
4. Paul (Romans 3:13, context fallen nature)



## III. CONSIDER JAMES 3:1-12 IN CONTEXT OF THE GOSPEL

1. Realize the depth of sin, pollution of your heart, need of saving grace are evidenced by the tongue
2. Recognize That You Are a New Creation in Christ (Ja.1:18; 2Co.5:17)
3. Continue in the Word (Cl.3:16-17)

