

James - Lesson 9 - Chapter 3 - Taming the Tongue

All men Stumble (2)	Examples (3-11)	True Problem
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ecc 7:20 - there isn't a righteous man on earth who continually does good and never sins - I Kings 8:46 - there is no man who does not sin - I Jn 1:8 - if we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and there is no truth in us <p>He is not justifying a sinful life He is making a statement of fact that we need to understand and deal with</p> <p>Stumble = to offend - present active - constant thing in our life - we need to be alert and understand our weakness</p> <p>Perfect = fully mature, complete in our growth</p>	<p>Bits in horses mouth Rudder on a ship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - both small but controls something big and powerful - Tremendous power in the tongue <p>Tongue is small but boasts of great things (5)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - exalt self - Tear others down - It is a little flame ignites a huge fire <p>Where does the destructive power come from? (6)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - it is a fire - It is the world of iniquity - It defiles the entire body - Sets our life on fire - Set on fire by hell itself <p>We have the ability to tame animals - but not the tongue (7-8)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - restless evil - Full of deadly poison - We bless the Lord and then turn around and curse men (9) - Blessings and cursing coming from the same place (10-12) 	<p>Matt 12:33-37</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - we speak out of what is in our heart - The tree is either good or bad - Every careless word we say we will give an account for - By our words we are justified - By our words we are condemned <p>Matt 15:18-20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the things that come out of the mouth come from the heart - Evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, slander - they all start in the mind and in the heart <p>- Mt 5:21-30</p>

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Fixing Heart Problems	Controlling Your Mind	James's Solution (13-18)
<p>When we become a true believer we enter into a New Covenant</p> <p>Ez 36:26-27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - give us a new heart - Give us a new spirit - God puts His Spirit within us - His Spirit will cause us to walk in His statutes - You will be careful to observe His ordinances <p>Jer 31:33</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - God will write His laws on our hearts - He will be our God, we will be His people <p>Jer 32:39-40</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - God will put fear of Him in their hearts and they will not turn away from Him <p>Jn 7:37-39</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - those who believe in Christ will receive the Holy Spirit - rivers of living water 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Is 26:3 - Be steadfast (immoveable from His Word) - God will give you perfect peace - Ro 12:1-2 - presenting our bodies as a living and holy sacrifice - transforming the mind and not conforming to the world - I Cor 2:2 - determine to know nothing other than Christ crucified - II Cor 10:3-5 - not warring with flesh but with the mind - we have divinely powerful weapons - destroy fortresses (in our minds) - speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God - take every thought captive to the obedience of Christ - Eph 6:11 - put on the full armor of God - Phil 4:4-9 - rejoice, not to be anxious (put our complete trust in God), take things to God in prayer, think on these things - then the peace of God will be with you - Col 3:1-5 - set your mind on things above - Col 3:13-14 - put on love - II Tim 2:22 - pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace 	<p>Walk in wisdom (13)</p> <p>There is an earthly, natural, demonic wisdom that comes from Satan's realm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - brings jealousy and self ambition - Arrogance (lies against the truth) - There is disorder - Every evil thing <p>Wisdom from above (17-18)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure - Peaceable - Gentle (yielding) - Reasonable (easily obeying) - Full of mercy and good works - Unwavering (solidly grounded on the truth of God's Word) - Without hypocrisy - hypocrite is an actor or pretender - without hypocrisy is to be genuine, open, honest, lacking the ability to act - Righteousness - sown in peace - when we walk with each other in peace our tongue will be under control because we have a pure heart