

“Confessions of a Loose Tongue” - James 3:1-12

Real Faith: A Study of James

Discussion Questions

- **Who uses the most words in your home/workplace?**
- **Read James 3:1-2 aloud.**
 - Who is this warning directed at?
 - What is the warning and why would he give it?
- **Read James 3:3-6**
 - What examples does James use to discuss the power of small things?
 - How can something so small have such a great impact?
- **Read James 3:7-8**
 - What does James believe about our ability to tame the tongue?
 - Why do you think he says that “no human can tame the tongue”?
- **Read James 3:9-10**
 - What are the two ways James says our words are used?
 - When have you experienced the power of words to tear down - to curse?
 - When have you experienced the power of words to build up - to bless?
 - What comes to mind when you hear the phrase “Words Create Worlds”?
 - Who can you have an ICNU Conversation with to bless them?
 - How does Proverbs 18:21 talk about the power of the tongue?
- **Read James 3:11-12** What is the point of these passages?
- **Read Luke 6:45**
 - How can the gospel of Jesus change your heart that results in changing your speech?
 - How can you preach the gospel to yourself?
- **Application & Reflection**
 - What work are you asking God to do on your heart this week to control your tongue?
 - Who can you bless with your words this week?
 - Who do you need to speak words of life to this week by sharing the gospel with them?