

“Be Wise About Your Tongue”

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James 3:2-10

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Introduction:

- A. Question: Is the tongue the _____ thing or the _____ thing?
1. Answer: The Bible says it _____ on _____ you _____ it. (Pr. 18:21; James 3:9-10)
- B. The use of the tongue is such an important and comprehensive subject that it is addressed _____ times in Proverbs.

I. _____ Uses of the Tongue

- A. _____ (Proverbs 12:22; 6:16-19; 26:28a)
1. When we _____, we pervert what is true, we lead others away from the truth, and we distance ourselves from the Lord who is the Truth.
- B. _____ (Proverbs 11:13; 16:28; 17:9; 18:8)
1. _____ includes things like repeating rumors, telling the secrets of others, and planting seeds of discontent.
2. Even if the information is true, the bigger question is: _____ am I passing on the _____?
- C. _____ (Proverbs 26:28b; 29:5; 28:23)
1. _____ is defined as saying positive things to a person for the purpose of _____ them.
- D. _____ (Proverbs 18:19; 20:3; 26:21)
1. Be the kind of person who tries to bring _____ to an _____, because getting into quarrels is _____ and any _____ can do that.

II. _____ Uses of the Tongue

- A. Wise _____ and sound _____ (Proverbs 10:31; 15:7a; 25:11)
- B. _____ (Proverbs 12:25; 16:24)
- C. _____ or _____ (Proverbs 15:31-32; 27:6)
- D. _____, _____, and the sharing of the _____ (Pr. 15:8; 11:30)

III. _____ the Tongue

- A. _____ for Help (Ps. 141:3)
- B. Speak _____ (Proverbs 10:19; 13:3; 17:27; 17:28)
- C. Speak More _____ (James 1:19; Proverbs 21:23; 18:13)
- D. Speak Only Words _____ (Proverbs 16:1; Eph. 4:29)

Conclusion: Words can have _____ consequences. (Matthew 12:35-37)

Answer Key: Intro.A. best, worst. B. 150. I. Wrong. I.A. Lying. I.A.1. lie. I.B. Gossip. I.B.1. Gossip. I.B.2. why, information. I.C. Flattery. I.C.1. Flattery, manipulating. I.D. Quarreling. I.D.1. disputes, end, easy, fool. II. Right. II.A. counsel, advice. II.B. Encouragement. II.C. Reproof, rebuke. II.D. Prayer, worship, Gospel. III. Controlling. III.A. Ask, God. III.B. Less. III.C. Slowly. III.D. from, God. Concl. Eternal.