

BOOK OF **JAMES**

→ **WHEN WE DON'T QUIT
WE WIN!**

July 11, 2021— “Power of the Tongue”

LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE, AND SERVE THE WORLD

James 21:26

✦ **Power of the Tongue**

1. Our words determine the direction of our life.

James 3:3-4

Our negativity and unbelief can shape the promise of tomorrow. It will keep us from fulfilling the plans that God has for our lives.

Ephesians 3:20

2. Our words can destroy what we have.

James 3:5-6, Genesis 11:5

Having an emotion is not sin, it is how we respond to that emotion that can light a fire that cannot be easily put out.

Proverbs 10:19

God does not beat around the bush, He is the bush, and when He speaks, He sometimes lights it on fire so He can get our attention!

3. Our words always reveal our heart.

James 3:9-12, James 3:7-8

✦ How can we control our tongue?

1. We must allow God to change our heart.

It's not just understanding God through teaching but experiencing God through knowing.

Psalms 19:14

2. Put a filter on what we allow in our heart.

Matthew 12:34-37 , Proverbs 4:23

3. Decide to speak words of life.

Words of affection...

Words of praise...

Words of encouragement...

Words of healing...

Words of faith...

The tongue that brings healing is a tree of life. **Proverbs 15:4**