

Living Faith and the Course of Conversation

(LF-05) Living Faith Series

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- James 3:13

James 3:2-12

- Lessen the mistakes
- Control our tongues
 - Prone to make mistakes in our _____
 - If we could control the tongue – we would be perfect – _____, complete
 - A true mark of _____
 - Control ourselves in _____ other way (NASB – Able to bridle the whole _____ as well)

Illustrations

- _____ in a horse's mouth – make it go wherever we want
- _____ of a ship – turn wherever the pilot chooses
- _____ of fire – start a great forest on fire
- The _____ – forms words with huge impacts
- Effective _____ of things much larger than themselves

Taming the Tongue

- _____ can tame the tongue – restless, evil, full of deadly poison
- _____ blessing and cursing
 - _____ God
 - _____ those made in his image
- This is not _____

Inner treasure determines your produce (your course)

- Matthew 12:33–37
- Whatever is in your _____ determines what you _____
 - _____ heart – good treasure – produce good things
 - _____ heart – evil treasure – produce evil things
- Give an _____ for every idle word you speak

- Proverbs 18:21 (NLT) — 21 The tongue can bring death or life; those who love to talk will reap the _____.
- NASB - Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its _____.
- The Message - Words kill, words give life; they're either poison or fruit—you _____.
- The natural course of _____

Changing the treasure of your heart

- Mark 4:14–20
- The Parable of Soils – receiving the _____ of God
 - Footpath – hear the message – Satan _____ it
 - Rocky – receive the message – fall away as soon as they have _____ or are _____ for believing the word of God
 - Thorns – message is _____ out by worries, lure of wealth, desire for other things
 - Good – hear, accept, and produce a _____ of what has been planted
- Whatever is in your heart (treasure) determines what you _____
- Whatever you say determines your _____ – life or death
- You will partake of the fruit of your _____
- Proverbs 21:23
- Proverbs 13:3.
- Ephesians 4:29
- Colossians 4:6
- Proverbs 4:20–24
 - The Word of God _____ deep in your heart
 - _____ and healing (vs. corrupting the whole body)
 - _____ your heart
 - It determines the _____ of your life (NASB – from it flow the springs of life)
 - Avoid _____ speech
- The Word planted in thorny soil – crowded out by _____
- Plant the seed of God's _____ in the soil of your heart
- James 1:26 If you claim to be religious but don't _____ your tongue, (NASB - does not _____ his tongue) you are fooling yourself, and your religion is worthless.