

# “The Power of the Tongue”

## James 3:1-12

### Introduction:

- I. James is describing that there is power in the tongue.
  - A. Like a tail that wags the dog, the tongue drives our \_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. It is \_\_\_\_\_ that people learn to control their mouths.
  - C. An uncontrolled tongue can also turn on an uncontrolled talker, \_\_\_\_\_ the whole person.
- II. The tongue does not operate itself.
  - A. The \_\_\_\_\_ regulates the tongue.
  - B. It's the words that come out of the mouth that \_\_\_\_\_.
- III. For a believer, our faith welcomes the power of the Spirit.
  - A. The problem is we are both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - B. The Good News is that since the Spirit of God lives in us, we are no longer controlled by our sinful nature but by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - C. It is vitally important for all Christians to let God's Word control their \_\_\_\_\_.
  - D. Christians with “forked tongues” \_\_\_\_\_ away from Jesus.
  - E. Christ-like minds and Christ-like hearts direct the mouth to \_\_\_\_\_ Christ-like words!
- IV. The Word of God speaks life into the lives of people.
  - A. Just as God said, “Let there be light,” through the same powerful Word of God, He brought us out of \_\_\_\_\_ into the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.
  - B. The \_\_\_\_\_ is the power of God, for everyone who believes.
  - C. That's how we are saved, with \_\_\_\_\_.
  - D. The power of God's Word \_\_\_\_\_ to us.
- V. As God's people controlled by the Spirit of God...
  - A. Use your tongue to give \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
  - B. Use your tongue to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ each other up.
  - C. Use your tongue to be \_\_\_\_\_.
  - D. Use your tongue to speak God's Word into the lives of \_\_\_\_\_.

### Conclusion:

