TAMING THE TONGUE

James 3.1-12

And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth.

-Luke 4:22

OUR TONGUE'S AFFECT

James 3.2-5 // Proverbs 18.21 // Proverbs 12.18

- A bit controls the horse
- The rudder controls the ship
- The flame set the forest ablaze
- The tongue sets on fire the entire course of life

The thing that will make the most impression on your fellow Christians and with the people whom you work; on your home and family, is not the great big things that you do. Not how you appear as it were on the public stage or arena, but the very simple question of whether or not you have mastered your tongue.

-Sinclair Ferguson

Death and life are also in the power of the tongue -Proverbs 18:21

HOW SHOULD WE USE OUR TONGUE?

Ephesians 4.29 // Psalm 141.3-4 // Romans 6.10-14 Colossians 3.15-16

Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness.

-Romans 6:13

Our words are a billboard of what we worship

We who have placed our faith in the Savior are justified by His Words, "It is Finished!

NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Psalm 62:6-7

He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken. On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to fill out a Connection Card so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the Connection Booth outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll join us next Sunday and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.ty

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our 6th - 8th graders begin each Sunday by worshiping with the adults and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our 9th-12th graders stay in the service with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read James 3.1-12 What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

As we heard this past Sunday, what can our words do and what should they do? What insight did you gain from the word pictures James gives? How does the Gospel play a role in the section of Scripture?

Repent and Ask for Provision

We all have failed in the way we speak and use our tongues. How do you abuse/misuse the use of you words? What does this reveal about your heart? When you respond this way what or who are you believing? How can the Word of God change the way we see our speech? How can we encourage one another in these times?

Your Life Mission

Remembering that Christ has gone before us and put on display the proper use of the God given ability of speech, it should move us to look inward at the condition of our hearts. Write down some of the ways you reached out to others this past week encouraging others with words of life. Continue to work on and work out a plan for you to be able to have these streams of living water flow from your heart and into the lives of those around you.

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the P.R.A.Y. model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love. Make sure to end your time of prayer Yielding with Thanksgiving for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.





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