

OUR MISSION
SHOWING THE LOVE OF GOD
BY LOVING YOU!
JOHN 3:16

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James 3:1-12
The Untamable Tongue

¹ My brethren, let not many of you become teachers, knowing that we shall receive a stricter judgment.

² **For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body.**

³ Indeed, we put bits in horses' mouths that they may obey us, and we turn their whole body.

⁴ **Look also at ships: although they are so large and are driven by fierce winds, they are turned by a very small rudder wherever the pilot desires.**

⁵ Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles!

⁶ **And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell.**

⁷ For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind.

⁸ **But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.**

⁹ With it we bless our God and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the similitude of God.

¹⁰ **Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so.**

¹¹ Does a spring send forth fresh water and bitter from the same opening?

¹² **Can a fig tree, my brethren, bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Thus no spring yields both salt water and fresh.**