

Words That Stand Out

James 3:1-12

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Our Motto

- Living to bless is demonstrating the **gospel**.

Theme of James

- This letter is all about **visible** Christianity.

Luke 6:45

"What's down in the well is going to come up in the bucket."

Statistics

- The average person speaks 15,000 words a day

Biblical Premise

- James wants us to know we have a **huge opportunity** each day to either bless people or curse people with what we say. And if the gospel has taken root, it will **change** how we speak

Proverbs 18:21

A Couple Of Things

- Controlling the tongue is a **byproduct** of maturity.

The Point Of Illustration

- Something really small **guides** everything

Proverbs 12:18

Power of Words

- The words we speak to **others**
- The Words we speak to **ourselves**.
- **Truth** is what lines up with what Scripture teaches.
- **Garbage** is what lines up with what culture/enemy says.

Battle For the Christian Life Is In The Mind

- Before you do a thing, you **think** a thing.
- Change your heart, you change your **words**.

Issue

- The tongue problem is a **heart** problem.

Philippians 2:14

4 Ways We Stand Out As People Who Have Been Transformed By The Gospel

1. Verbalize **gratitude**.
2. Verbalize a **blessing** over your family.
3. Verbalize **prayer** for your family.
4. Verbalize your **reconciliation**