



Taming Our Tongues – Part 2
James 3:1–12

James 3:7-8 (ESV)

“For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by mankind, but no human being can tame the tongue.”

I. Consider the Source

Luke 6:43-45 (ESV)

“For no good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit, for each tree is known by its own fruit. ...The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.”

II. Surrender to Jesus

2 Corinthians 5:17 (ESV)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

Psalms 141:3 (ESV)

“Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips!”

III. Practice Daily Management

- **Think First**

Proverbs 15:28 (NIV)

"The heart of the righteous weighs its answers, but the mouth of the wicked gushes evil."

T – Is it True?

H – Is it Helpful?

I – Is it Inspiring?

N – Is it Necessary?

K – Is it Kind?

- **Others First**

Ephesians 4:29-32 (NIV)

"Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. ... Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you."

- **Christ First**

Colossians 3:17 (HCSB)

"And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him."

