

Divine Help for Our Untameable Tongues

Day by Day in the Letter of James

- A. On average each one of us will speak approximately _____ words today.
- B. In *James 3:2-5a*, the Holy Spirit tells us the unvarnished truth: we all _____ in many ways when it comes to the little muscle in our mouths.
- C. Why should we even care? Because our tongues can set our entire lives on _____ (*3:5b-6*).
- D. The problem? Your tongue cannot be tamed (*3:7-8a*).
- E. And yet, the source that supplies your tongue can be purified and reshaped for the better (*3:11-12*).

That source is your _____ (*3:14; Luke 6:43-45; Prov 4:23*)
 THE Question: What has filled, is filling, and will continue to fill your heart?



_____ (*3:15*)
 Unspiritual (*3:15*)
 _____ (*3:15*)

THE DOWNSTREAM PRODUCT:

Bitter jealousy (*3:14*)
 _____ ambition (*3:14*)
 A restless evil (*3:8*)
 Full of deadly _____ (*3:8*)
 Hypocrisy (*3:9-10*)
 _____ (*3:14*)
 Lying (*3:14*)
 _____ (*3:16*)
 Every vile practice (*3:16*)

Wisdom that comes down from _____ (*3:15*)
 Pure (*3:17*)
 _____ (*3:17*)

Gentle (*3:17*)
 Open to _____ (*3:17*)
 Full of mercy (*3:17*)
 Full of _____ fruits (*3:17*)
 Impartial (*3:17*)
 _____ (*3:17*)

THE DOWNSTREAM PRODUCT:

Righteousness (*3:18*)
 Good _____ (*3:13*)
 Meekness (*3:13*)
 _____ (*3:18*)

F. **Bottom line:** We are going to be judged by our Creator (*3:1; 2 Cor 5:10; Matt 12:36-37*).

G. **The good news:** Incredibly, by the intercession of God's own son, there is hope (*1 Pet 1:21-25*).