



TONGUE TAMING 101
James 3:1-12

James 3:2 (NASB)

“For we all stumble in many ways. If anyone does not stumble in what he says, he is a perfect man, able to bridle the whole body as well.”

WHY DOES TAMING MY TONGUE MATTERS SO MUCH?

TONGUE TAMING MATTERS BECAUSE MY WORDS

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James 3:5 (NLT2)

“... the tongue is a small thing...”

{James 3:3-4}

TONGUE TAMING MATTERS BECAUSE MY WORDS CAN

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James 3:5-6 (NIV)

*“Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark.
The tongue also is a fire...”*

{Proverbs 18:20, James 3:6, Proverbs 21:23, James 3:7-8}

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James 3:9-10 (NCV)

"We use our tongues to praise our Lord and Father, but then we curse people, whom God made like himself. Praises and curses come from the same mouth! My brothers and sisters, this should not happen."

{James 3:11-12, Matthew 12:34}

A BIBLICAL TRAINING PLAN FOR UNTAMED TONGUES

STEP #1

TURN TO GOD FOR _____!

Ezekiel 18:31 (NCV)

"Get rid of all the sins you have done, and get for yourselves a new heart and a new way of thinking."

Ezekiel 11:19 (TEV)

"I will give them a new heart and a new mind. I will take away their stubborn heart of stone and will give them an obedient heart."

{2 Corinthians 5:17-18, Psalm 51:10}

STEP #2

ASK GOD FOR _____!

Psalm 141:3-4 (ESV)

"Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips! Do not let my heart incline to any evil..."

STEP #3

BEFORE SPEAKING, _____ YOUR WORDS!

James 1:19 (GW)

"Remember this, my dear brothers and sisters: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak..."

{Psalm 39:1, Ephesians 4:29}

James 3:1 (NASB)

"Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, knowing that as such we will incur a stricter judgment."

{Ezekiel 18:31}

