



Study Notes

Taming the Tongue (Pt.3)

James 3:9-12

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- I. The Tongue Has Power to Direct (vv.1-5a)**
- II. The Tongue Has Power to Destroy (vv.5b-8)**
- III. The Tongue Has Power to _____ and _____ (vv.9-12)**
 - A. It _____ God (v.9a; 1 Chron.29:10, 20; Ps.34:1; 63:1-4; 66:8; 145:1-3; 35:28)
 - B. It _____ Men (v.9b-c; Rom.12:14; Mat.5:43-44; Eccl.7:20-22)
 - C. It Can Bless and Curse _____ (vv.10-12)
 1. This drives home the fatal _____ of the tongue (v.10a; 1 Jn.4:20; Mat.16:16; 26:74; Acts 23:3, 5)
 2. James _____ this fatal _____ (vv.10b-12)
 - a) First he does this _____ (v.10b)
 - b) Next he resorts to another _____ (vv.11-12)
 - (1) The illustration from _____ (v.11a)
 - (2) The illustration from _____ (v.12; Mat.7:16; Gen.1:11)