The Destructive Power Of The Tongue JAMES 3:2-12

The Great Power Of Influence Of The Tongue

- Power to influence both for good and bad. James 3:2-3
 - Prov. 25:11; 21:23
 cf. Num. 13:27-29, 31-33; 14:1-4
- If uncontrolled, it only proceeds to worse. *Cf. 2 Tim. 2:16-17; Ps. 141:3; Prov. 17:27-28*



We put bits into the horses' mouths – James 3:3

The Great Power To Direct Of The Tongue

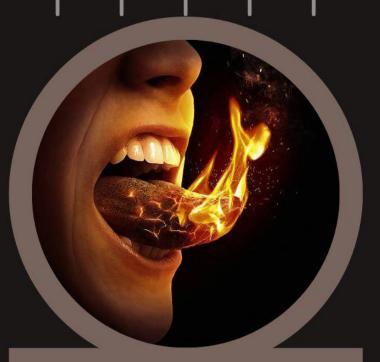
- Power to take us where we may not want to go. James 3:4
- We will reap what we sow.
 Prov. 18:21; 12:13; 13:3
 Matt. 12:36-37 cf. Gal. 6:7-8



Ships are directed by a small rudder – James 3:4

The Great Power To Destroy Of The Tongue

- Power to completely destroy. *James 3:5-6*
- It can reveal what is in our hearts.
 Matt. 15:10-11, 15-20; Prov. 15:4b; 12:18a;
 Gal. 5:15



The tongue is a fire, the very world of iniquity – James 3:6

The Great Power To Control Of The Tongue

- Power to control the whole of our lives.
 James 3:7-12
- Prov. 10:19; 12:13a cf. Prov. 6:27-28



Every species of beasts... and creatures of the sea, is tamed – James 3:7

