

“The Tongue: Its Uses & Abuses.1”



EVIDENCES OF TRUE FAITH • part 15
James 3:1-5

INTRODUCTION

- keeping the lion in your mouth caged

- the tattletale...the window to the heart

Mt. 12:33-37; 15:18-19

1. The tongue extends great privilege (3:1)

- you're a teacher!

Deut. 6:1-9; Mt. 28:19-20

- the reason for James' cautious warning

Acts 13:14-16; 1 Cor. 14:26

2. The tongue exposes great purpose (3:2)

- examples to follow

1 Pet. 2:24; Ps. 39:1

- stumbling...yet “perfect”

Jms. 1:4

3. The tongue exerts great power (3:3-5a)

- illustration #1: the bit in the horse's mouth

- illustration #2: the rudder on the boat's stern

CONCLUSION