

Before You Explode

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1 Peter 3:1-12

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What would you like your home to be like?

- 1) Determine your **goal** (3:10a)
 - "He who would love life and see good days..."
 - a) **Health** would be good
 - b) **Wealth** would be nice
 - c) **Peace** is primary
- 2) Identify your **role** (3:1-) "Likewise?"
 - a) Wives be **submissive**
 - i) What if **my husband is not worthy of respect?**
 - ii) Husbands be **understanding**
 - iii) What if my **wife is not easy to love?**
 - b) Everyone be **loving** (3:8-9)
- 3) Eliminate the **moles**
 - a) Terrible **tongues**

James 3:5-8

"Even so the tongue is a little member and boasts great things. See how great a forest a little fire kindles! ⁶ And the tongue *is* a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell. ⁷ For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. ⁸ But no man can tame the tongue. *It is* an unruly evil, full of deadly poison."

- i) The tongue that speaks at the **wrong time**
 - ii) The tongue that speaks in the **wrong tone**
 - iii) The tongue that speaks in **half truths**
 - b) **Lying lips**
- 4) Hurtful **habits**
 - 5) Commit to being **whole**
 - i) You don't want to **hinder** your prayers (3:7)
 - ii) You don't want to **miss out** on a blessing (3:9)
 - iii) You don't want to **rob God** of His glory (2:11-12)

What can you do to fireproof your home?

"Let him turn away from evel and do good; Let him seek peace and pursue it."

Two words:

Confess

James 5:16 "Confess *your* trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed."

Forgive

Ephesians 4:30-32 "³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. ³² And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.