



The Complete Person

"For we all stumble in many things. If anyone does not stumble in word, he is a perfect man, able also to bridle the whole body."

James 3:2

The Power of the Tongue

- **Proverbs 18:21** *"Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit."*
- **Matthew 12:36-37** *"But I say to you that for every idle word men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."*
- **Proverbs 13:3** *"He who guards his mouth preserves his life, But he who opens wide his lips shall have destruction. "*
- **Proverbs 21:23** *"Whoever guards his mouth and tongue Keeps his soul from troubles. "*

Out of Our Heart We Speak

- **Matthew 12:34-35** *"Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things."*
- **Psalms 39:1-3** *"I said, 'I will guard my ways, Lest I sin with my tongue; I will restrain my mouth with a muzzle, While the wicked are before me.' I was mute with silence, I held my peace even from good; And my sorrow was stirred up. My heart was hot within me; While I was musing, the fire burned. Then I spoke with my tongue: "*
- **Psalms 19:14** *"Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart Be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer."*

Speaking Isn't Words Alone

- **Intention and Tone can change the meaning of words we speak.**
 - **Proverbs 26:24** *"He who hates, disguises it with his lips, And lays up deceit within himself; "*
 - **Matthew 27:29** *"When they had twisted a crown of thorns, they put it on His head, and a reed in His right hand. And they bowed the knee before Him and mocked Him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!""*
 - **John 13:21-30**

The Tongue is a Big Target

- **James 1:26** *"If anyone among you thinks he is religious, and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this one's religion is useless."*
- **James 3:1-10**
- **Satan is the father of all lies (Jn 8:44) but God has given us weapons to defeat his deception – The words of truth and life.**
 - **2Corinthians 10:4-5** *"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,"*