



SURVIVAL SKILLS
"WEEK #6 – Taming the Tongue"

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Scripture: James 3:1-18

SECTION 1 – GROWTH GROUPS QUESTIONS

1. How have one or two of your teachers had a significant impact on your life? How has their impact changed the trajectory of your life for the good or for the bad?
2. Why do you think James is warning his readers about being a teacher?
3. What are the different word pictures James presents as examples of taming the tongue? Which speaks most clearly to you? Is there another example in your own life about the importance of controlling your words that has helped you be better with your words?
4. When have you experienced or seen significant damage done by a few words?
5. When have you experienced or seen a significant positive impact made by a few words?

6. Is there anything in this passage that is helpful to you in terms of your own journey to try and be better with your words? What is the role of the Holy Spirit in this battle?

7. How do you discern what words in the world are the ones you need to listen to and what words you should ignore?

SECTION 2 – PRAYER

What areas of your life would you like to lift up for help in terms of where you might need to choose your words more carefully? OR places in your life where someone might benefit from you speaking a good word into them? Share and pray about these opportunities for your tongue to be used for good and not destruction.