

## THE TONGUE

The Tongue Can Be One of the Greatest Tools for Blessing that God Ever Gave to Man.

### **With the tongue:**

...we can bless or we can curse man...and God. Let no corrupt thing come out of your mouth.... "Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen."

### **Words can lift...or they can harm.**

The Holy Spirit is pleased when we are honest and upright, both with our fellow man and with our God. Dishonesty in any form grieves the Spirit of God.

### **The tongue can either be an unruly member or one by which we praise and bring glory to God.**

"A wholesome tongue is a tree of life; but perverseness therein is a breach in the spirit" (Proverbs 15:4).

"Death and life are in the power of the tongue; and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof" (Proverbs 18:21).

"But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison" (James 3:8).

**It is wise for us to remember that one day in judgment, God will recall all the things that we have said. Remember, there is great power in speech.**

*A doctor can tell much about the physical condition of a man or woman by looking at the tongue. When you go to see the doctor, he will say to you, "Stick out your tongue." A healthy tongue is a good sign, but if it has a yellow or white coating, or has certain marks upon it, that is an indication of an unhealthy body. Sometimes I think the Lord says to us spiritually, "Stick out your tongue."*

**As we stick it out, we ought to let the Lord sanctify it and make it holy.**

### **Mother used to quote this little tidbit:**

"Be careful of the things you say,  
Keep them soft and sweet;  
For you never know from day to day  
Which ones you will have to eat."

**Even the method by which we are saved is by the tongue - speaking a confession.**

***"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Romans 10:9).***

"But...the tongue can no man tame"...part of James 3:8.

***God can tame the tongue...He gets into the spirit man....and mind, thoughts and the physical body line up.***

**With the tongue we can bless God...our fellow man...help another!**

**Or...We can disappoint God...our family...our friends...and ourselves.**

**I choose to be blessed and be a blessing...What about you?**