

How You Can Prevent Forest Fires

James 3:1-12

Introduction: James 3:5; Proverbs 17:27-28; Matthew 5:37 & Colossians 4:6.

I. Teachers are Judged More Harshly - v1-2

A. Teacher = _____ - v1.

B. What happens when a teacher sins? - Matthew 12:36-37

C. You are going to S_____ because you are not perfect - v2.

II. Words Spoken are More Influential Than You Think - v3-5

A. The Power of words: like B_____ that control a whole horse - v3.

B. The Power of words: like R_____ that control a whole ship - v4.

C. The Power of words: like a S_____ that burns down a whole forest - v5.

III. Words Can Determine the Orientation of Your Whole Life - v6

A. The tongue is an O_____ of evil within the body.

1. World = _____.

2. "If you have a corrupt M_____, you are corrupt."
- Proverbs 15:1

B. You speech can determine your whole F_____.

IV. You Can't Control Your Speech Like You Think You Can - v7-8

A. What things can you control? - v7

B. The tongue is . . .

1. Restless = _____.

2. Poison = _____.

V. Your Speech is Inconsistent - v9-12

A. Most things are created for O_____ purpose.

1. F_____ water springs out F_____ water - v11.

2. You can't get completely D_____ fruit from
the same tree - v12.

B. What was the tongue created for?