

“Straight Up” – April 13th
“Word Power – Taming the Tongue?”

Big Idea: “DANGER: Beware of Mouth Part 2”

All of us have had moments when we wish we could reach out and retrieve the words that just left our tongue. All of us have had our lives shaped by the words spoken to us. Repeatedly, we are reminded of the power of our words. We realize one of the most important skills we can develop is the skill of consistently monitoring our tongue. In this section James gives us a sober and challenging look at a small portion of our body that wields a powerful influence. We all need the reminder: Danger: Beware of Mouth!

Open It: Name 3 movies you would like to see over and over and one movie you never want to see again.

After last weeks lesson how were you more aware of the words you used? How was it helpful?

Dig It: Read James 1:26; James 3:7-12

We are going to focus on our closest relationships, our families

Reflect on It:

1. Do you remember being especially affected by someone’s words in your family?
2. How did those words affect you then? Now?
3. Often we have vivid memories of words that hurt us. If that was the case in the example described above, can you remember a time when someone’s positive words affected you?
4. For those who are married how have the words you have used affected the relationship?
5. Is there anyone in your family that needs a kind word? Who?

Do It:

1. What will you do this week to change the words used in your house?
2. Pray as a group for our families.

