# The Power of the Tongue

Judges 11:30-35

## I. Many Have Paid Dearly For Their Words

Jepthah hurt the one he loved Darius almost killed a prophet of God, Daniel 6 Herod did kill a prophet of God, Matthew 14:6-9

## II. The Power of the Tongue, James 3:2-12

It has more power than any other part of the body, v. 5 It is more dangerous than a forest fire, v. 6 It is more difficult to control than any wild beast, v. 7-8

#### III. Misuses of the Tongue

Lying, John 8:44, Revelation 21:8
Bad Language, Colossians 3:8, Ephesians 5:4
Gossip, 1 Timothy 5:8
Boasting of Self, James 4:16
Useless Arguing, 1 Timothy 6:5

#### IV. Proper Uses of the Tongue

Silence, 1 Peter 3:4, 1 Thessalonians 4:11 Giving Thanks, Colossians 3:17 Encouraging Others, Acts 4:36 Prayer, 1 Thessalonians 5:7 Teaching the Gospel Matthew 28:19-20

## V. How Can We Control Our Tongue?

Seek God's Help, Mark 11:24 Fill your Mind With holy Things, Colossians 3:8-14 Watch Your Environment, 1 Corinthians 15:33