

# Taming the tongue a life or death situation

*It's a heaven or hell thing! Matt 12:36-37*

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36 But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

37 For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

### 7 Types of dangerous talkers: *found in your church*

*Which one are **you**?*

- 1 **Social** – These people say things or tell things to fit in. They usually accidentally cause trouble by getting involved with gossip. They feel remorse after letting something slip.
- 2 **Bigmouths** – These people can't keep anything. They can't wait to tell any and everybody any and everything they hear or see. They are remorseful when found out. They don't want to tell everything but they just can't help it. These people are easy to spot. They tell anybody all about themselves and everybody's business.  
*(Tell-a-graph, Tell-a-phone and Tell-a-bigmouth.)*
- 3 **Stealth** – These people sneakily plant information bombs. The intent is stir up mess. These folk love the phone. They can't wait to get out of church so that they can call and plant some bombs. Truth is not a concern. They are damage focused. These people will in most cases eventually aliginate all they come in contact with. They hardly ever feel remorse for what they have caused.
- 4 **Arguer** – These people like to get their point across. They are usually relentless and in most cases loud. In their mind they are right and will get angry to the point of getting out of control. They usually feel remorse when they calm down.
- 5 **Debater** – These people are very similar to the arguer. However they don't have to believe in what they are debating about. They usually enjoy watching people defend points. Unlike the arguer they do not rely on loudness but on points. No remorse they usually will advise that they are just arguing a point for the sake of argument.
- 6 **Attacker** – These people usually have issues with self worth. Their conversations will almost always turn into attacks against others. They have a need to put down the efforts and the character of others. They will build themselves up as the better.. smarter... more talented. While smirking or trying to get other to laugh at the efforts of others. They have I have to get them before they get me attitude. They seem to only feel remorse for the damage they cause when they have been brought out or a tragedy has been caused.
- 7 **Smart Aleck** – These people always have something smart or sassy to say. Their conversation is usually one of immaturity. Their body language usually complements their smart- aleckness. (rolling eyes, rolling necks, smacking lips. ect) They have little or no remorse for what they say or do. Theses are obviously spoiled but they will argue that they are not.

**Obviously you can be more than one of the above but choose the one that most fits you!**

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**Now how do you think others rated you!**

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## Scriptures to study

### **Matt 15:18**

**18** But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.

### **Eph 5:4**

**4** Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.

### **Phil 1:27**

**27** Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;

### **James 3:5-8**

**5** Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth!

**6** And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

**7** For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind:

**8** But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

### **James 3:13**

**3** Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of wisdom.

### **Col 3:5-10**

**5** Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

**6** For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

**7** In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

**8** But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

**9** Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

**10** And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

### **1 Peter 1:15**

**15** But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

### **1 Peter 1:18**

**18** Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;

### **1 Peter 3:1**

Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;

### **1 Peter 3:16**

**16** Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.

### **2 Peter 3:11**

**11** Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,