

“See No Evil, Hear No Evil, Speak No Evil” James 3:6-12

Gentleness and self-control are results of our authority-orientation to God and His plan for our lives; they are a demonstration of genuine humility directed toward Him.

The tongue is a small object which controls and determines the course of large objects like a bit in a horse’s mouth, a rudder in the helm of a ship or a little flame in a large forest.

What comes out of the mouth is filthier and more dangerous than that which leaves out of the body from any other source, so do you get what James is actually saying?

With the tongue in the middle of the cycle of evil thoughts and expressions; evil deeds become a vicious fiery circle that’s constantly ignited by the tongue which produces a definite reaction in the body.

The Lake of Fire, Gehenna or Hell is not a place of extinction since both the beast and the false prophet are going to live there for a thousand years without being annihilated.

And please remember James’ point that we all go through various forms of testing and when we do, there’s always the temptation to try to solve the problem ourselves by depending on our own human viewpoint fleshly motivated wisdom.

While man can control the greatest and sometimes fiercest of creatures; he cannot control his own little tongue.

Mature believers avoid the sins of the tongue and instead use their tongues for the purpose for which they were designed; to express their capacity for and enthusiasm for life and true love for God and all others.

James is similar to a movie writer or book author who uses vivid illustrations to cause his readers to pay more careful attention to what they say; in other words, to ‘Speak no evil.’

Each member of the human race with same soul essence has a different personality and character, making him distinct from all other members of the human race, just as the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are one in essence but different in personality.

Because every human being is created by God Himself even though he’s now in a fallen state; nonetheless man remains in the image of his creator God and for that reason alone, we are to treat all people with the utmost honor and respect.

A spring is consistent in the type of water it yields and the principle here is that although nature is always consistent, a rebellious believer in emotional revolt against God and His plan is hopelessly inconsistent and his inconsistency along with his instability are expressed by the sinful use of his tongue.

James is saying that if you are born-again and you’re storing biblical truth in your soul, as a mature believer in Christ living by divine viewpoint, you’re not going to be producing the sins of the tongue consistently; plain and simple.