

The ABCs of Tongue-Taming

- Ask God for wisdom to help you control your words. (James 1:5)
- Be patient, even when the circumstances are hard. (James 1:12)
- Confess your own weaknesses (sins). (James 5:16)
- Don't speak evil against each other. (James 4:11)
- Empty yourself in humility before God and others. (James 4:7)
- Forgo the grumbling. (James 5:9)
- Get rid of immorality; live honorably. (James 1:21 and 3:13)
- Hold your temper. (James 1:19-20)
- Identify areas where you are most tempted to negatively use your words. (James 1:14-15)
- Just say "yes" or "no"; don't use oaths. (James 5:12)
- Keep jealousy at bay. (James 4:1-2)
- Listen more than you speak. (James 1:19)
- Make God's Word a priority; know it and obey it. (James 1:22)
- Never boast. (James 4:16)
- Opt for peace. (James 3:17)
- Pray for yourself and each other. (James 5:13 and 16)
- Quit complaining; patiently endure. (James 1:12)
- Remember to be merciful. (James 2:13)
- Sing praises. (James 5:13)
- Treat your neighbors with love. (James 2:8)
- Understand the power of your words. (James 2:5-6)
- Value generosity in actions and speech. (James 1:2:16 and James 3:14-16)
- Wage war against Satan. (James 4:7)
- Exercise repentance when you mess up. (James 4:7-8)
- Yield your position when necessary. (James 3:17)
- Zip it up! (James 1:26)