



Children's Bulletin
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James IRL: Say What?

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James 3:1-12 (New International Readers Version)

¹My brothers and sisters, most of you shouldn't become teachers. That's because you know that those of us who teach will be held more accountable. ²All of us get tripped up in many ways. Suppose someone is never wrong in what they say. Then they are perfect. They are able to keep their whole body under control

³We put a small piece of metal in the mouth of a horse to make it obey us. We can control the whole animal with it.

⁴And how about ships? They are very big. They are driven along by strong winds. But they are steered by a very small rudder. It makes them go where the captain wants to go. ⁵In the same way, the tongue is a small part of a person's body. But it talks big. Think about how a small spark can set a big forest on fire. ⁶The tongue is also a fire. The tongue is the most evil part of the body. It makes the whole body impure. It sets a person's whole way of life on fire. And the tongue itself is set on fire by hell.

⁷People have tamed all kinds of wild animals, birds, reptiles and sea creatures. And they still tame them. ⁸But no one can tame the tongue. It is an evil thing that never rests. It is full of deadly poison.

⁹With our tongues we praise our Lord and Father. With our tongues we curse people. We do it even though people have been created to be like God. ¹⁰Praising and cursing come out of the same mouth. My brothers and sisters, it shouldn't be this way. ¹¹Can fresh water and salt water flow out of the same spring? ¹²My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree produce olives? Can a grapevine produce figs? Of course not. And a saltwater spring can't produce fresh water either.

**Take notes by drawing or writing
key words from the sermon.**

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E E S S L S P E O P L E C R A
R S A R O M L R E T A W E E C
I R L E R A X T B V F S V D C
F U T H T L T C E F R E P D O
Y C R T N L T N X O K C D U U
A D L O O E I V H T A M E R N
N A O R C A S O L I V E S C T
I A X B T R T E A C H E R S A
M P T P E W O B E Y S B I E B
A R A T R P F T I F F H F L L
L C S O N R M V S G R I I M E
M I N Z Z A I P I E L E G P Q
S G S D N I W G N O R T S S S
K R A P S S V Z R J G O C H I
T O N G U E G D R H T A F A F

ACCOUNTABLE
ANIMAL
BODY
BROTHERS
CAPTAIN
CONTROL
CURSE
FIGS
FIRE
FOREST
HORSE
OBEY
OLIVES
PEOPLE
PERFECT
PRAISE
RUDDER
SHIPS
SISTERS
SMALL
SPARK
STRONG WINDS
TAME
TEACHERS
TONGUE
WRONG

Bonus: Can you
find other words
not on this list?

How can you grow in your relationship with Jesus? Draw or write your answer.