

SOUL DETOX: Garbage In Garbage Out

James 3:1-12

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INTRO:

1. The **shot** heard around the world
2. The **scheme** of the enemy

A. WE ARE **ACCOUNTABLE** WITH OUR WORDS

1. Words **define** our maturity (v. 1)
2. Words **describe** our testimony (v. 2)
3. Words will be **deliberated** in eternity (Matthew 12:36)

B. WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE **AXIOMS** OF OUR WORDS

1. The **symbols** of the tongue
 - A **bridle** (v. 3)
 - A **rudder** (v. 4-5)
 - A **spark** (v. 5)
 - A **fire** (v. 6)
 - A **poison** (v.8)
1. The **septic** heart (Mark 7:21-23)
 - Get **attention**
 - Gain **power**
 - Get **revenge**
 - Get **entertained**

C. WE NEED TO **ACT** ON CONTROLLING OUR WORDS

1. **Tame** it (v. 7-8)
2. **Tie** it (v. 9-10)
3. **Tap** it (v. 11-12)

CONCLUSION