

Faith Alive!

Danger: Handle With Care

James 3:3-12

The tongue: a tattletale of the heart, for
*...out of the overflow of the heart,
the mouth speaks...*

Matt 12:34

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- ***Bit & Rudder*** – influence disproportionate to size
- ***Spark*** – incredibly destructive

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- **‘No man’ can ...**

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- ‘No man’ can ... ‘with man it is impossible but with God all things are possible!’

We are helpless unless we are helped!

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- **‘this must not be...’ (vs. 9-10) – don’t be like this**
- **‘this cannot be...’ (vs. 11-12) – God provides a solution**
 - **Matt 12:33-37** ‘make a tree good and its fruit will be good’
 - **Ezekiel 11:19** ‘an undivided heart ... a new spirit ... a heart of flesh
 - **Ezekiel 36:26-27** ‘a new heart ... I will put my Spirit in you...’

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Final thought – Feathers!