

Sermon Reflection: (10 min)

Sermon: Faithful Character in Crisis, The Tongue. Text: James 3:1-12

Intro: Have you ever been corrected for something you said?

Words That Echo Eternity - Why do words matter? Because God shaped all existence by His Words

God's Words

1. Creation – What do you understand about God by creating all things and all by His Word?
2. Commands – What do you understand and love about God in the commands He gives?
3. Promises – What do you understand and love about God by His many promises?

Words Cannot Describe THE TONGUE, a disastrous description?

1. Unbridled - Runaway
Where are you opinionated and critical?
When are you most apt to speak past what you know?
2. Poison - To Kill, Ruin
Where do you most often speak passed how you live?
Whose, what friend, heart do you most often presume you understand fully?
What words would you like to take back?
When are you most apt to boast and take credit for God's work and gifts?
3. Hide - Lie, Deceive, Cover Up
Who do you lie to the most? Why is that?
What have you come clean on that you once lived the lie by covering it up?

Words That Change Eternity - Jesus' Promises Change OUR EVERYTHING!

Deliverance, Redemption, Hope - Jesus in our place willingly

The Perfect Man - Our Perfect Substitute

Example: The Prodigal Son's Return to the Father eager to Celebrate
Ring and Robes, Hugs and Kisses

What time is it? Party Time -Clothed, Reinstated, Celebrated

How would it change your relationship with God if you understood "Repentance was Heaven's time to **PAR-TEE**? How would that change your relationships with others?