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Only You Can Prevent Forest Fires

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James 3:1-12

The Power of Our Words

1. The power of words spoken over us have shaped us for better or worse.
2. Our words give great insight to others about who we really are and what we really believe
3. The words we speak over others can carry greater impact than we may realize.

Scripture Insights

1. A tamed tongue is a sign of spiritual maturity (vv. 1-2).
2. A tamed tongue gives us the ability to lead (vv. 3-4).
3. An untamed tongue can bring devastating results (vv. 5-6).
4. Our tongue is a freak of nature (vv. 7-12).

Mouth Guards

1. Ask God to help you be slow to speak and quick to hear (James 1:19).
2. Ask God to help you forgive those who have hurt you with words. (Colossians 3:13).
3. Ask God to change the contents of your heart (Matthew 12:33-37).
4. Ask God to give you wisdom in your words (Proverbs 18:21).

Challenge: This week I will intentionally use my words to speak life into
