No Man Can Tame The Tongue – But God Can!

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Key Scripture:  James 3:2-12; and read through Proverbs, which has many verses relating to the tongue.

Other Scriptures:

Proverbs 8:6-7- speaking excellent things – and words of truth

12:3- the Lord to cut off flattering lips and the tongue that speaks proud things

12:18- speaking like piercings of a sword – and the tongue of the wise

12:22- lying lips are an abomination – but God delights in lips speaking truth

15:2- the tongue of the wise and that of fools

16:27- lips like a burning fire

18:7- a fool’s lips

26:21- being contentious kindling strife

ROMANS 2:8- being contentious - self-seeking

I COR. 11:16- being contentious regarding hair

PSALMS 34:13- keep tongue from evil – and lips from speaking guile/deceitfulness

51:15 & 63:3-6- using lips for praise to God

59:12- sins of lips – cursing and lying; taking God’s name in vain

EXODUS 20:7

              89:34- one who makes a vow shall not alter or change or back off from it

120:1-2- David calls in prayer for God to deliver him from lying lips and a deceitful tongue

ISAIAH  6:5- when Isaiah had a had a vision of the Lord, high and lifted up, he realized that he had unclean lips

 29:13- those honoring God with their lips, but hearts were far from Him;

 MATTHEW 6:5-7 praying with words of vain repetition and many words to be seen

and heard of men

 7:1-5- using our tongues in judging others;

ROMANS 14:1-5- judging regarding what is eaten

                            12:37- by your words you’ll be justified and be condemned by words, said Jesus

JAMES 3:2-12- brings out several ways even Christians can be offensive using their uncontrolled tongues and it clearly states that man can’t tame his tongue by simply wanting to.

God can enable us to control our tongues- Galatians 5:16-26-we believers must yield to the Holy Spirit for victory!