

“Faith Tested by Self-Control”
James 3:1

True Faith produces Self-Control.

Self-Control over the Tongue.

- + Jesus stressed the importance of Controlling the Tongue.
- + Matthew 12:34-37
 - “You brood of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak what is good? For the mouth speaks out of that which fills the heart. The good man out of his good treasure brings forth what is good; and the evil man out of his evil treasure brings forth what is evil. And I say to you, that every careless word that men shall speak, they shall render account for it in the day of judgment. For by your words you shall be justified, and by your words you shall be condemned.”
- + What is in the Heart is often what comes out of the Mouth.
- + God through the Holy Spirit has the Power to control the Tongue if we Appropriate it by Faith.

Self-Control in Teaching.

- + James 3:1
 - “Let not many of you become teachers, my brethren, knowing that as such we shall incur a stricter judgment.”
- + He is not trying to Discourage teachers.
- + Those in this position need to understand they will be held Accountable before God.
- + The Enemy loves to Deceive people even by using the Word of God.
- + The greater the Impact upon others, the greater the Accountability.
- + Even though there are those who receive the specific Call to teach, All Christians are found in this Position sometime or another.