THE POWER OF THE TONGUE

Sunday Service Notes Insert

Designed for fill-in-the-blank note taking during the sermon.

Features: main idea blanks, point-by-point blanks, larger note space, response section, church logo area, and footer space for local church use.

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SERMON 01

Small Tongue, Serious Consequences

James 3:1–5a

Main idea: Words carry influence far beyond their _____. James begins by calling those who teach to sober _____ and then reminds every believer that a little tongue can _____ a whole life.

Key text / key phrase to listen for: _____

Main points

- **Point 1:** Our words come with _____.

Notes: _____

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- **Point 2:** Small instruments can change large _____.

Notes: _____

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- **Point 3:** Influence calls for _____, not self-confidence.

Notes: _____

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Heart check: What did I want in the moment my tone changed the room?

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Repent ... Believe ... Respond: Choose one person to encourage specifically this week and one apology that should not be postponed.

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SERMON 02

When Words Become Wildfire

James 3:5b–8

Main idea: Sinful words can spread _____ with frightening speed. James strips away our excuses and shows why our hope cannot rest in human self-control _____.

Key text / key phrase to listen for: _____

Main points

- **Point 1:** A little fire can consume a great _____.

Notes: _____

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- **Point 2:** Sinful speech reveals a deeper _____.

Notes: _____

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- **Point 3:** No human technique can become our _____.

Notes: _____

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Heart check: Which kind of “spark” is easiest for me to excuse?

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Repent ... Believe ... Respond: What concrete act of repentance, correction, or restitution is needed?

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SERMON 03

One Mouth, Two Messages

James 3:9–12

Main idea: A mouth that praises God yet degrades people made in His image reveals a _____ that believers must not _____.

Key text / key phrase to listen for: _____

Main points

- **Point 1:** Our speech can contradict our _____.

Notes: _____

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- **Point 2:** Every person remains an image-_____.

Notes: _____

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- **Point 3:** The fruit calls us to examine the _____.

Notes: _____

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Heart check: Where is the sharpest mismatch between my Sunday worship and weekday conversations?

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Repent ... Believe ... Respond: What would truthful, courageous, grace-shaped speech look like in that relationship?

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OPTIONAL SERMON 04

The Heart Behind the Words

Luke 6:43–45; Ephesians 4:25–32

Main idea: Our words reveal the _____, and lasting change grows from the grace of Christ, not the performance of better _____.

Key text / key phrase to listen for: _____

Main points

- **Point 1:** Our words bring the heart into the _____.

Notes: _____

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- **Point 2:** Grace puts off the old patterns and puts on the _____.

Notes: _____

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- **Point 3:** The gospel gives the why and the _____.

Notes: _____

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Heart check: What recurring pattern has this series exposed in me?

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Repent ... Believe ... Respond: Whom should I encourage, apologize to, speak truthfully with, or protect this week?

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