



**ACCM**

**Bible Study:** Thursday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018. **TOPIC: THE USE OF THE TONGUE PART C**

## **Man Vs Man**

**INTRODUCTION:** This is the area that people speak about a lot. When we talk about the use of tongue, we mostly refer to man vs man. As humans we lack the ability to read minds. Therefore, the only way you may know what is in the mind of another person is when you listen to him speak. This explains why candidates are interviewed. Even with high elements of cover up, you could still to an extent tell the character of the person by what he or her says. Just as you should be careful what you pass out to the devil's hearing, you should also be careful what you say to other people about yourself, about them to others, about others to them and about them to them.

There is a positive side to the use of the tongue and there is a negative side. When we use the tongue on the negative, we could destroy so many things and when used positively, it could enhance good relationship and better life for all.

**TEXT: James 3:1-18**

### **A) The use of the tongue for the negative**

1. How do you know the make up of a person? Luke 6:45, Prov 17:28

2. According to the book of James, who is a perfect person: A perfect person is the one that knows the right way to use his or her tongue. James 3:2. James 1:26, Prov 10:19.
3. What kind of dangerous thing do we do with our tongues? Gossip, boast, backbite, lying, deceive, slander. James 3:5-6, Prov 11:13, Psalm 50:20
4. Result of wrong use of the tongue: Psalm 52:2-5, Prov 18:6, 21,
5. There is danger in too much talking, Prov 11:9, Lev 19:16; Prov 20:3; II Thess 3:11,12; 1Tim 5:13; 1Pe 4:15
6. How do we learn to use our tongue: James 1:19, Prov 25:28, Titus 1:8, Phil 4:8, I Peter 1:5-7, Prov 10:19, Prov 14:23, Prov 18:13, Ecc 5:2,6, Ecc 5:3, Prov 17:27
7. How do you respond to a matter that could be a gossip? Prov 11:13,

CONCLUSION: Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. If we could engage our brains in the positive we will make our environment a better place for all including ourselves.