

Words are _____.

Words Matter:

- _____ varies.
- _____ matters.
- _____ differs.

The Great Challenge
James 3:2-12

We all stumble in many ways. Anyone who is never at fault in what they say is perfect, able to keep their whole body in check (v. 2).

Words . . .

1. Determine my _____. (James 3:3-5)
2. Can destroy my _____. (James 3:5b-8)
3. Display my _____. (James 3:9-12)

So what do we do?

1. _____ the power of words.

Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Proverbs 18:21 NKJV

2. _____ your heart to God.

For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of. Luke 6:45

Surrender your heart to God, turn to him in prayer, and give up your sins—even those you do in secret. Then you won't be ashamed; you will be confident and fearless.

Job 11:13-15 CEV

3. _____ and _____ your part.

Confess your sins one to another, so that you might be healed. James 5:16

4. Guard your _____ and _____.

Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life. Proverbs 4:23 NLT

Set a guard over my mouth, O Lord; keep watch over the door of my lips. Psalm 141:3

Pray: May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O LORD. Psalm 19:14

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