



World Victory Church

“Gossip – The Tongue of Satan”

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- I. **James 3:1-10**
 - A. Taming the Tongue
 1. Since it cannot be tamed by man, then there is only one that can
 2. This is why there is so much importance placed upon every believer receiving the Holy Spirit and his heavenly language
 - This is how we learn “God’s language”
 - If speaking in other tongues wasn’t so important, then why doesn’t Satan just leave it alone
 3. Satan knows the power in a spoken word, so he will do anything he can to keep things stirred in the wrong direction
 - B. The Definition
 1. Idle talk or rumor, especially about the personal or private affairs of others; Casual or unconstrained conversation or reports about other people, typically involving details that are not confirmed as being true.
 2. Bible calls a gossip a “talebearer” or “slanderer” – Whisperer
- II. The Devil likes to stir up “Mess”
 - A. The Power of Proverbs
 1. **Proverbs 11:13** *“A talebearer reveals secrets; but he that is of a faithful spirit conceals the matter.”*
 2. **Proverbs 16:28** *“A forward man sows strife; and a whisperer separates chief friends.”*
 3. **Proverbs 17:9** *“He that covers a transgression seeks love; but he that repeats a matter, separates friends.”*
 4. **Proverbs 20:19** *“He that goes about as a talebearer reveals secrets; therefore meddled not with him that flatters with his lips.”*
 5. **Proverbs 26:20-22** – The strength of strife is in a gossip’s tongue
 - B. Christians, Beware! Recognize the Spirit of Jezebel behind Gossip.
 1. Jesus said, “Take heed to how you hear.” / And even if you hear it right, why is it so important to repeat it?
 2. Watch how easy it is even for believers – **John 21:20-23**
 - C. Let your yea be yea
 1. **Ephesians 4:29-30**
 2. **Matthew 12:36-37**