

I. Warning: The Tongue May Condemn You (1,2a)

- A. We need teachers/Preachers/Leaders
- B. Don't <u>rush</u> into teaching without <u>considering</u> the dangers of your tongue!
- C. We all stumble in many ways
- D. The influencer's power

II. Warning: The Tongue May Control You (2b – 4)

- A. The perfect man! (telios = mature/complete/finished)
- B. Two examples
- C. The small boaster

III. Warning: The Tongue May Start A Consuming Fire. (5 – 8)

- A. Great <u>forest</u> vs small fire the ancients <u>trees</u> are NO match for the <u>match!</u>
- B. The Tongue is a fire!
- C. A <u>world</u> of unrighteousness (evil = adikia = morally wrong)
- D. The Tongue cannot be tamed!

IV. Three Challenges

- 1) Pray for the Holy Spirit to Control your tongue!
- 2) Count your conversations!
- 3) Calculate –
 Did I condemn myself or others?
 Did I control my tongue?
 What kind of fire did I start?