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through His sanctifying salvation, tames the tongue by transforming the heart. He does what we cannot. For with man, it is impossible, but with God, all things are possible! He gives us a new heart, and out of that new heart forms a new mouth, and from the new mouth flows a new song! Therefore, loved ones, take heart for Jesus doesn't just clean out the water for it to get twice as dirty as it was before; He replaces the whole fountain, and THAT is the greatest of graces!

James continues to describe our blessed hope. He reminds us that "with it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers, these things ought not to be so" (James 3:9-10). He continues: "Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and salt water? Can a fig tree, my brothers, bear olives, or a grapevine produce figs? Neither can a salt pond yield fresh water" (James 3:11-12). The contradiction that James presents to us reveals our very need, even as. Springs don't pour out both fresh and salt water. Fig trees don't bear olives. A transformed heart must result in

transformed speech. And that only happens when the Spirit of God takes residence in us.

In closing, I said it once, and I'll say it 1,000 times more: this is the great news of the gospel: the God who speaks light into darkness and existence into being does not forget to speak life into your dead heart. He gives you a new nature, a new mind, and yes—even a new tongue. He wonderfully and fearfully made every part of your being and body, so of course He doesn't leave a single part of you to perish when He makes you again! Therefore, taming the tongue isn't about perfecting your speech; it's about submitting your heart. It's about the flaming fire of your sin being quenched by the flowing fountain of His grace. This is where the Gospel changes everything. For when the Word of Christ dwells richly within you, it cannot help but overflow. It shows up not just in your everyday behavior but in your everyday speech. It shows up in how you pray to your Father in Heaven, how you encourage your brothers and sisters in Christ, how you confess your sins,

and how you proclaim the Word. For the mouth that once burned with merciless, graceless, impatient, unloving, prideful, unkind, and uncontrolled sin has now become a spring for the grace of the Living Water that refreshes, renews, regenerates, and rebirths. The tongue that once cursed now blesses. The voice that once tore down now builds up. Hallelujah!

So, let the Spirit fill your heart. Let the Word

guide your lips. Let the fire of sin be drowned in the fountain of grace. And let your tongue testify to the One who saves you. Speak life. Speak truth. Speak Christ. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so.

Grace be with you.

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Phil Baker  
Logan County Judge Executive

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**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
Case #25-P-00158

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MARY J. ORANGE  
LOGAN DISTRICT CLERK  
RUSSELLVILLE, KY 42276

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---Phillip E. Baker  
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