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- I. The desire to teach should be with great caution, and an extensive self-examination. (vv. 1-2, 13-14)
- II. False teaching should be despised regardless of the teacher, for its damage is endless as the descriptions of the tongue show. (vv. 5-12)
- III. Spiritual maturity should be pursued through saturating the heart with heavenly wisdom. Our speech will either manifest our maturity or betray us. Do not deceive yourself (1:26). (v. 1-2, 17-18)
- IV. Our thoughts and actions must not be selfish, but humbly submissive to God and directed toward the good of others. (vv. 17-18)

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