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What Are You Thinking?

YOU SHALL HAVE WHAT YOU SAY!

The Bible says death and life is in the power of the tongue!

Words are spirit and they carry life! Most of what we encounter in our lives is directly connected to what we say from our mouth!

I have heard it said that a curse word is anything you say about you that God didn't say. You have the ability to bless or curse yourself!

The passage in its entirety states:

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

The last part is what I would like you to take focus of. "And those who love it will eat its fruit."

If you can understand agriculture you can understand the Bible! There is a built in principle called sowing and reaping. Many of us who have been around church understand this principle in relation to money. But this principle does not just cover your money but also your mouth!

You see our words are like seeds and when they are spoken they are planted. Inside of a seed is a harvest or in this case fruit. So in other words, this part of the passage is saying; you will eventually eat the fruit of the seeds (words) you speak. You have the power to release life or death, you must choose!

SCRIPTURE

Father, as I go about my day help me to speak your Word over my life in Jesus name.

Apostle Rodney Cain

BE CAREFUL LITTE MOUTH WHAT YOU SAY

Scripture

Proverbs 18:20 (NIV)

20 From the fruit of their mouth a person's stomach is filled; with the harvest of their lips they are satisfied.

Devotional

Life and death is in the power of the tongue. Whatever you chew on ends up in your stomach and what comes from your mouth pass your lips will produce a harvest. You decide what your harvest is based on what comes out of your mouth. I can recall in my younger days when I didn't want to go to work, I would call in and say I had the flu or an upset stomach when that was not the truth. However, because I spoke it out of my mouth and a week or two later whatever I said would manifest. I can also recall that when I spoke blessings over my life I did receive them. I believe that God gave us a mouth to speak blessings over His people. We are in the season to do just that for others and ourselves.

Prayer

Lord God I repent for every negative word spoken out of my mouth. Please forgive me for using my mouth loosely. As I receive Your forgiveness Lord, I thank you for that forgiveness. Jesus, I do my best to speak Your word only over and into my life as well as speak blessings over Your people, our government official and the nations. In Jesus name I pray, Amen.

Confession

I decree and declare that we shall have every good thing that You have promised us. I shall not die but live to declare the Your works. For greater is He that is in me than he that is in the world. I am more than a conqueror. I am the apple of God's eye and I speak life to every dead issue or dormant dream in my life. I call every plan and purpose God has for me and His people to come into existence now!

THE WORDS YOU SPEAK

BECOME THE HOUSE YOU LIVE IN Words can form your life in a negative or a positive way. Just like the scripture says in Mark 11:23-24, (basically that you can have what you say). So, if you're always speaking negative words like, I will never be wealthy, I'll never be able to live in Palm Beach, I will always be overweight or unhealthy, then that is what will take form in your life. On the other hand, speaking positive words and will cause good things to manifest in your life.

SCRIPTURE

Matt. 12:34-35

34 Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. 35 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things.

I remember confessing on a regular basis that I was debt free, while drowning in debt. I had a daughter in college and mortgage loan and a personal loan against my pension trying to pay for it all. Then one day things got hard, and I lost the house (that was starting to need repairs) and I moved into an apartment. First, this brought instant relief from worrying about the mortgage because I didn't even have a balance owed due to the foreclosure. Because of this move I was able to slowly start paying down the debts I had because money was freed up. And before I knew it, I was debt free and then I realized the only bills I had was the normal day to day like, rent, lights, etc.

Follow Jesus' example and speak those things that the Father wants us to speak. Speak those things that be not as though they are.

Father I thank You for You have created us in Your image and likeness. And that You have given us the authority and power to speak and see it manifest as we believe. Help us Jesus to guard our tongues and become so full of Your word that it is in abundance in our hearts. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight oh Lord my strength and my redeemer.



CONFESSION

Lord God I speak to the mountains in my life and decree and declare that they be removed. I cast down every vain imagination that is contrary to Your word. I speak total divine health and healing in my body and in the body of Christ. I decree and declare that no weapons formed against the body of believers shall prosper in Jesus name. I am who God says I am. I am a joint heir with Jesus and I share His inheritance.I am more than a conqueror through Christ Jesus. I am redeemed and forgiven and I am chosen to bear fruit. I am the righteousness of God.

THE VOICE OF THE LORD IS KEY: PART 1



SCRIPTURE

JOHN 10:4-5 NIV

4 When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice. 5 But they will never follow a stranger; in fact, they will run away from him because they do not recognize a stranger's voice."

DEVOTION

Jesus stands ahead of us in our place of destiny. His voice calls to us daily to travel the road to get to where He is. Along the way, the enemy uses negative thoughts, people, and all kinds of distractions to try and make his voice (the voice of a stranger) louder than the voice of Jesus. He tries to make us miss instructions from the Lord's voice on which way to go next. The enemy wants to cause us to completely veer off the road and miss our destiny. But Jesus says, those who belong to Him know His voice, and will follow His voice only. Also, they will run away from the enemy because his voice is unrecognizable or unmatched to the voice of Jesus.

PRAYER

Lord, help me to know and recognize Your voice. Help me to hear Your voice loud and clear. Let Your voice be above every other voice so that I may run away from whatever is not like you, and follow your voice only, and meet You in the places You're calling me to. In Jesus Name, Amen.

CONFESSION

The Lord's voice is the only voice that I listen to and follow. The Lord's voice is leading me into my destiny and I am walking into His promises while avoiding distractions and delay!!

SCRIPTURE

JOHN 10:27-28

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.

DEVOTION

In John 10:27-28, Jesus expounds a little more about His sheep that follow Him. In these two verses He discusses relationship. The Lord is says those who believe in Him as Savior hear His voice. Not only do they hear His voice, but they listen; meaning they obey His voice. What's even more beautiful is that Jesus and His sheep know each other intimately through personal relationship, and therefore His sheep follow Him by His voice. They abide in Him and will never be uprooted from His hand. They will never perish, but have everlasting life.

When we fellowship with the Lord regularly in our relationship with Him, His voice becomes so familiar. Just like we would recognize the voice of our best friend calling out to us in a crowd of people. Just as a growing plant is nourished with water, the voice of the Lord feeds and nourishes us on a daily basis as we abide in Him.

PRAYER

Lord, I want to know You intimately. Let your voice become, not only something that I follow, but let it nourish my soul. Let every Word that comes out of your mouth feed me well, so that I don't hunger for another voice. In Jesus Name, Amen!

CONFESSION

I abide in the Lord, and He abides in me. His voice is spiritual nourishment. I will eat only of His voice, His Words, and no other.

ACCORDING TO YOUR WORDS

SCRIPTURE

JOSHUA 1:8

8 This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you[a] shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

JOSHUA 2:21

21 Then she said, "According to your words, so be it." And she sent them away, and they departed. And she bound the scarlet cord in the window.

DEVOTIONAL

Let's look at the word success through the eyes of God. Through His eyes it looks like obedience and faithfulness to Him. It's measured by whether or not we are loyal to him in doing His will. Keep in mind His will is in His Word. We can view success as loving the Lord our God with all our heart, mind, soul and strength and loving our neighbor (our neighbor could be anyone God put in our path, we have to be that sensitive to the leading of His Spirit to know) as ourselves. We are so blessed to have the love of God in our hearts. (Romans 5:5)

If we love Him we will obey Him and be faithful in serving Him. Faith and obedience brings freedom and peace from the cares of the world and enables us to walk in the Spirit of God and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit. (Galatians 5:22-23)

It's important and powerful to meditate on the word of God, pray, praise and confess (the three dimensions mentioned in the message by Apostle goes hand in hand with meditating on the word of God!

The scripture says, Joshua instructed the people to keep the word of God on their lips always, of course the word has to get into our hearts first. The Spirit of God is saying the same to us, keep my word in your mouth, meditate - think about it day and night constantly releasing it from heart and tongue and you can have what you say.

Everything we need is in the Word of God! Therefore it behooves us to get into the word of God and let the word of God get into us, to renew our minds and transform our thinking and let it be according to our words as we say what God is saying about us and all that concerns us.



Father in Jesus name by your Holy Spirit, help us to hide your word in our hearts so that we can obey you, walk in your ways, speak your word and live according to your word! Amen!

I am what I am by the grace of God! I Corinthians 15:10

I am everything the word of God says I am!

I can do everything the word of God says I can do!

I have everything the word of God says I can have! I am healthy!

I am wealthy! I am prosperous even as my soul is prosperous!

CONFESSION

RIGHTEOUSNESS

SCRIPTURE

7 For my mouth will speak truth; Wickedness is an abomination to my lips. 8 All the words of my mouth are with righteousness; Nothing crooked or perverse is in them.

PROVERBS 8:7-8

The bible says "Jesus was made unto us righteousness." (I Corinthians 1:10) What does that mean? Anyone who has trusted and believed that Jesus Christ gave His life for ours, and literally has prayed and given thanks unto Jesus for dying on the cross for our sins, and have invited Him into our lives to be Savior and Lord, we have been brought into right standings with God. Simply put, that's the only way to become righteous by trusting Jesus Christ as your Savior! Solomon is referring to wisdom in this passage of scripture. Wisdom that is made up of unquestionable truth. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life (John 14:6) Every word of God is true. Jesus is God's faithful witness to truth. He is truth himself! Solomon is exalting the word and wisdom of God and describes it as faithful and worthy of being accepted from God to bless us, govern us and instruct us in the way of righteousness by faith in God.

PRAYER

Heavenly Father., in Jesus name by your Holy Spirit, thank you for leading and guiding us into truth, your word is truth and inviting us to be participants in your righteousness. Thank you for all you've done for us and helping us to rely on you to become effective in our prayers and obedience to you so we can flow in the righteousness of God!

CONFESSIONS

I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus! II Corinthians 5:21

I am justified, completely forgiven, and made righteous. Romans 5:1

I have received the Spirit of God into my life so that I might know the things given to me by God.

YOU CAN HAVE WHAT YOU SAY!



SCRIPTURE

MARK 11:22-23 NIV

22 "Have faith in God," Jesus answered. 23 "Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them.

Jesus desires that we follow hard after Him and do greater works than He did.(Psalm 63;8;John14;12) He wants us to know that when we have faith in God, Our Father we can have what we say. We must know what God is saying and say what He says.

This passage of scripture should cause us to examine our motives and keep our focus depending how bad we want what we are saying from God. I've noticed that for so long the people of God have been saying the problem and not the answer. Jesus is the answer for the world today! Every provision for us has already been made past, present and future. We have to build on those provisions by speaking words of faith. Not what we have or what we feel but what Jesus (the word of God - John 1:1-5) says He's provided for us. Example: Let the sick say I'm healed, let the weak say I'm strong, confess victory in the face of apparent defeat, and abundance in the place of lack!

The Bible teaches, "All things are possible with God for us who believe (Matthew 19:26). In order to speak into existence the things we desire from God, our desire must be for kingdom purposes and for God's glory!

It's important that we understand that the promises of God are "Yes and Amen"! And they are also conditional. We must first, be in a right working relationship with God, communing and fellowshipping with Him on a daily basis, your heart and mind need to be pure and sincere, no grudges toward anyone and we cannot pray or confess with selfish motives we must have a kingdom mentality.

Father God, In Jesus name by your Holy Spirit, we need your power and blessing to be your vessels of overflow lead by your Spirit to flow in the impossible! (Signs, wonders & miracles!)

CONFESSION

The word of God conceived in the heart, formed by the tongue, and spoken out of the mouth is creative power!...Kenneth Hagin

I am of God and have overcome him (Satan). For greater is He that is in me than he that is in the world. (I John 4:4)

There is no lack for my God supplies all my need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19)

For poverty He has given me wealth, for sickness He has given me health, for death He has given me eternal life (2 Corinthians 8:9; Isaiah 53:5-6; John 10:10; John 5;24)

CREATING LIKE MY FATHER

Devotional

The majority of children learn to speak from their parents. And they are taught from a young age which words are acceptable to say and which are not, based on the beliefs of that adult. Similarly, like a parent, our Heavenly Father wants to teach us how to communicate appropriately in all of life's situations. Many times we find it difficult to believe that something as simple as auditory language has the power to change our entire environment, but it is true. All that we see was created by God using words (Genesis 1:1,3,9,14,24), and since we are made in his image (Genesis 1:26), our lips also have the power to draw our realities. In Mark 11, Jesus further emphasizes the power of our words by telling the disciples that their faith and speech will move mountains and grant them what they ask for in prayer. This same principle applies to us since God is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

In the next weeks, months, and years, I hope you understand the significance of your God-given ability to audibly produce the things you desire to be present or absent in your life. However, I understand that breaking the habit of negative confession takes time, so I just challenge you to wake up every day and spend those 24 hours focusing on saying positive words and Biblical truths only. Allow your days to develop into weeks. Let your weeks turn into months, and let your months turn into years, until it eventually becomes your way of life.

Scripture

Genesis 1: 1-24 NKJV

1 In the beginning **God created** the heavens and the earth.

3 Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. 4 And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. 5 God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night.

9 Then God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear"; and it was so.

14 Then God said, "Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; 15 and let them be for lights in the firmament of the heavens to give light on the earth"; and it was so.

24 Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind"; and it was so.

26 Then **God said**, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

Mark 11:22-24 NIV

22 "Have faith in God," Jesus answered. 23 "Truly I tell you, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in their heart but believes that what they say will happen, it will be done for them. 24 Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

Prayer

Heavenly Father, I surrender my speech to you. I ask that The Holy Spirit would help me to only speak words that create the picture you had in mind for my life. In Jesus Name I Pray, Amen.

Confession

I denounce every word curse that I've spoken over my own life and replace them with The word of the Lord. And God Your Word says I am the head and not the tail, I am victorious, I am blessed, I am redeemed, I am chosen, I am forgiven, I am free, and my life has a purpose.

I declare that my daily language shall be a reflection of my Heavenly Father's speech. And from now on, I will walk in the authority that God has given me to audibly create. As a result, I declare my life, health, mind, heart, relationships, finances, and endeavors to line up with the word of God and the Kingdom of Heaven.

HOW NATURE REVEALS GOD'S PRINCIPLES



SCRIPTURE

PROVERBS 18:21 NIV

The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

DEVOTION

Plants and the power of words have been researched on numerous occasions. One popular experiment was done by Ikea, a well-known furniture retailer. They put two plants in glass cases at a school and gave them equal amounts of water and sunlight. However, one plant was spoken to positively and the other plant was verbally bullied. After only a few weeks, the plant that had been spoken to harshly began to droop and wither. On the other hand, the plant that was praised was thriving. Myth busters conducted a similar experiment in which they played music for some plants while leaving others in silence, the plants exposed to music grew quicker. Despite the fact that these studies were different, they both demonstrate that our words, or lack thereof, have an impact.

The Bible also tells us that the power of life and death are in our tongue (Proverbs 18:21) therefore, like plants, our words will cause our lives to either blossom or wither. This is why it is vital that we not only open our mouths, but also use caution with our words and realize that what we say matters.

PRAYER

Dear God, never let me forget the power of my words. I pray now that your Holy Spirit will guide me in speaking life rather than death, and blessings rather than curses, so that I may live a thriving life. In Jesus Name I Pray, Amen.

CONFESSION

I decree and declare that everything I speak life to will flourish and multiply. May my words create ways in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. Everything in my life that needs to grow will obey my command and thrive. And whatever needs to die will wither away. And I order my life to get in line with the word of the Lord.

WHAT ARE YOU THINKING?

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 12:34 NKJV

Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks.

Phillipians 4:8 NIV

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

The relationship between language and thought has been examined and investigated by a diverse group of scientists, linguists, cognitive scientists, and psychologists.

According to studies, our human mind is processing and decoding messages we hear before we even speak. Our language reflects our thinking. As a result, we must be cautious about the thoughts we let linger. In Matthew 12:34, the Bible reinforces this fact by declaring, "Out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaks."

The word heart (Lebab) in Hebrew refers to your heart, inner man, and mind/thoughts. Now, with this understanding, you'll notice that Matthew 12:34 also says, "Out of the abundance of the MIND, the mouth speaks."Therefore, if we wish to talk appropriately, we must change our thinking.

You're probably wondering right now, out of all the things to ponder on, what does God want me to think about? And, thankfully, Jesus' Word gives us an answer. According to Philippians 4:8, we should meditate on what is true, noble, pure, lovely, and praiseworthy. So, while you're practicing positive confession, I encourage you to start by letting this verse guide your thoughts so that your speech and life reflect God's word.

Father God, help me to be more mindful of what I'm thinking. May I develop a habit of not letting negative thoughts fester in my mind and influence my language. I pray that I will only let positive and Godly thoughts abide and take root in my mind and life.

CONFESSION

I declare that from now on, I will speak only what is true, noble, right, pure, lovely, and praiseworthy, and that my lips will be forever grateful and full of praise to you, oh God. Heavenly Father, may I only say words that you find acceptable and pleasing. In Jesus Name I pray, Amen.



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