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WORDS: LIFE OR DEATH The Value of Words Terry Baldwin



[SERIES TITLE SLIDE:]



F [Proverbs 18.20 NKJV]

20 A man's stomach shall be satisfied from the fruit of his mouth; From the produce of his lips he shall be filled.

[NLT] / Words satisfy the soul as food satisfies the stomach; the right words on a person's lips bring satisfaction.

- The quality of your life is dependent on the words you speak....

TO SOME DEGREE



[Proverbs 18.21 NKJV]

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

- It's in the Bible.... you can believe it
- ALL through Scripture It's important what comes out of our mouth
- The Words we speak are THAT IMPORTANT!!

THINK ABOUT IT....

- All that God created He did through SPEAKING.... "Then God SAID..."
 - NOT waiving of hand
- We were created in God's image....
 - There is Something in area of us Speaking that has Creative forceEither LIFE or DEATH in our lives

NOW....

This TRUTH.... from scripture has been taken to the extreme

(It seems that every **TRUTH** that has been restored to the body of Christ... satan tries to **DISTORT** it.)

- Truth of HEALING / (Exaggerates it..... Drives point home to strong out of pure heart 90% of teaching really good)
- Truth of PROSPERITY & GIVING TO KINGDOM
- Truth of WORDS distorted / ("Name it Claim it" movement)

"We are NOT trying to get God in agreement with our words... We need to get our Words in agreement with God!"

...........That's what makes the difference in the Quality of LIFE

In this scripture

God is saying... "Are you agreeing with LIFE or are you agreeing with DEATH?"

- We are RELEASING Life or Death with our WORDS!

TODAYS SERMON....

"THE VALUE OF WORDS"

- Two points about the VALUE OF WORDS...



#1 WORDS CONNECT US TO GOD

- Words are how God comes <u>from the SPIRITUAL REALM</u> (where He lives) to the PHYSICAL REALM (where we live)
- You may be thinking...

"God sent Jesus and He is the bridge between us and God...."

JESUS IS THE WORD!



[John 1.1 NLT]

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.



[John 1.14a NLT]

So the Word became human and lived here on earth among us.



[Psalms 107.20a NKJV]

He sent His word and healed them

(GRAPHE / LOGOS / RHEMA)

There was a GRAND CAYON between God and us... called sin

- So God sent His WORD.... and spanned that chasm

- Do you know how we are Saved???
 - FIRST.... God sent His WORD to reach us.....
 - BUT we walk across that WORD or Bridge... by our confession in Jesus Christ



[Romans 10.8-10 NKJV]

"The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart"

(Bible connects the Mouth & Heart many times)

(that is, the word of faith which we preach): 9 that if you <u>confess with your mouth</u> the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and <u>with the mouth confession is made unto salvation</u>.



[Romans 10.13 NKJV]

For whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.

- So God sends His Word to Make a Connection to Us.....

"Words connect us to God"

- IF we believe in our heart, and we CONFESS Jesus with our mouth....
 - We Speak Words that agree...
 - "I believe Jesus is God.
 - He died on cross for My sins,
 - He rose again on 3rd day...

WE ARE SAVED!!!



- What you really believe in your Heart.... comes our of your Mouths

Scripture about the unpardonable sin



[Matthew 12.31-37 NKJV]

Therefore I say to you, every sin and blasphemy (evil speaking) will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy (evil speaking) against the Spirit will not be forgiven men. 32 Anyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the age to come. (Where most people stop... keep reading)

33 Either make the tree good and its fruit good, or else make the tree bad and its fruit bad; for a tree is known by its fruit. (explain: Tree is the Heart and the Fruit is the Mouth) 34 Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart (tree) the mouth speaks (fruit comes). 35 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things (or speaks good things), and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things (or speaks evil things).

36 But I say to you that for <u>every idle word</u> men may speak, they will give account of it in the day of judgment. 37 **For by your words** you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.

(EXPLAIN)

Jesus is moving in the power of the Holy Spirit / Not His power

- Jesus cast out evil spirit by Holy Spirit. (blind and mute spirit)
- Pharisees attributed the work of the Holy Spirit to the devil (vs 24)

Jesus turns and warns them... "What you're doing can send you to hell!"
- "You're speaking these things because your Heart is Evil"

(People are save only because Holy Spirit draws them... - He reveals our need for Jesus)

- The unpardonable sin is sin you commit with your mouth
- Reason person speaks against H.S. because he Hardens his heart

(You haven't committed unpardonable sin because you're still breathing!!

There's still hope!)

......WORDS CONNECT US TO GOD



#2 WORDS CONNECT US TO EACH OTHER



Death and life are in the power of the tongue, And those who love it will eat its fruit. 22 He who finds a wife finds a good thing, And obtains favor from the Lord.

- There's a reason these 2 verse are next to each other
- The way we connect with God is through our words
- The way we connect with people is through our words

Anytime you've had a disconnect with someone... Words were involved!

- If you want a good marriage, make it with your mouth
- Some have bad marriage because you have a bad mouth
 - You're speaking death over your marriage / financed / family / health
- We can't CREATE anything with our Words.... (bad teaching)
 - "Name it and Claim it / Blab it and Grab it"
 - God is only one who said "Let there be light."

Put our Words either agree w

- But our Words either agree with God's plans for our life... or satan's plans for our life.

- Every word we say is either RELEASING LIFE or DEATH

EXAMPLE: Our Marriages

[Ephesians 5.25-26 NKJV]

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, 26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word

- This is how Jesus washes His bride.... with WORDS!

- HUSBANDS... are you washing your bride with your Words... or Defiling her?
 - Listen to how people talk about their spouses....
 - How they treat them with their WORDS....
 - Embarrass them or Build them
 - Speak good words over them BEFORE they deserve them...
 - PROVERBS 31 Virtuous wife.... "Husband is respected"

You want a good spouse... make them with your Words (You might have the spouse that you made with your words!)

Our Words either ALLOW God to bless our family... or allow satan in Death and life are in the power of the tongue.

CLOSING:

7 Divine words to **heal** a relationship

"I was wrong, will you forgive me?" That's how you get connected to God

The same vehicle you got in to drive away from people...

is the same vehicle you need to drive back to them... YOUR MOUTH

Words Connect us to God and Each other

It's NEVER to late

ASK GOD IF THERE IS SOMEONE YOU NEED TO TALK TO??