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WORDS: LIFE OR DEATH

Ten Deadly Sins

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.....(JOKE: 4 People in airplane going down with 3 parachutes)



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Well known 2 verses in Bible.... but it is the 3rd verse that explains them



[Isaiah 59.1-3 NLT]

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- He is saying _“**There’s nothing wrong with God....**”

- But your sins have separated you from Him....

- NOT in Relationship..... but in closeness and intimacy

- Problem is in What you’ve done **AND** What you’ve said

- You’ve done what you’ve done because you’ve said what you’ve said

- **Very Important to understand how WORDS affect our lives**

10 Deadly Sins We Commit With Our Mouths

#1 LYING

Proverbs has 3 Major themes running through it:

MONEY / MORALS / MOUTH

[Proverbs 6.16-19 NKJV]

These six things the Lord hates, (hates because they hurt people and God loves people) Yes, seven are an abomination to Him: (Let's see how many of 7 have to do with the Mouth)

17 A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood, 18 A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil, 19 A false witness who speaks lies, And one who sows discord among brethren.

_____ 3 out of 7 have to do with Mouth

[Proverbs 12.22 NKJV]

Lying lips are an abomination to the Lord, But those who deal truthfully are His delight.


- Hebrew words "ABOMINATION" means **detestable**
- Old Testament word.... **IDOLATRY**

- These 7 things are IDOLATRIST to the Lord
- Like leaving the throne of God and then worshipping at throne satan
- **When we lie** / **Leave the throne of TRUTH go to throne of lies**

- Reason God HATES lies is it's the OPPOSITE of His Nature
- God **IS** Truth

#2 **SOWING DISCORD** We saw this in vrs 19

- Music means "Lack of Harmony"

 [Proverbs 6.12-15 NKJV]

12 A worthless person, a wicked man, Walks with a perverse mouth;

(Notice your Works comes from your words)

13 He winks with his eyes, He shuffles his feet, He points with his fingers; 14 Perversity is in his heart, (that's why is comes out of his mouth) He devises evil continually, He sows discord.

15 Therefore his calamity shall come suddenly; Suddenly he shall be broken without remedy.

- People who sow discord, reap calamity
- We reap what we sow.... disharmony and disunity

EXAMPLE: Man or woman comes and speaks bad about their spouse.... AND
We don't try to bring UNITY... that's sowing discord (be careful)


 #3 **GOSSIP** We saw this in vrs 19

definition: Spreading intimate or private rumors or facts.

- Even if it is FACT... We shouldn't be talking about it

 [Proverbs 20.19 NIV]

A gossip betrays a confidence; so avoid anyone who talks too much.

 [2 Corinthians 12.20 NLT]

For I am afraid that when I come to visit you I won't like what I find, and then you won't like my response. I am afraid that I will find (watch how many have to do with the mouth)

quarreling, jealousy, outburst of anger, selfishness, backstabbing, gossip, conceit, and disorderly behavior.

How Christians disguise gossip....

"I'm going to tell you something so you can pray about it."

- Problem with that statement... We're not praying

- We are doing **MORE** talking than praying

Next Time ask Yourself:

“Am I really burdened about this person?”

“Is my heart broken for this person?”..... God is!

Get in the habit about **NOT LISTENING to Gossip**
AND you won't repeat it!!!



#4 SLANDER

definition: A false and malicious statement or report about someone

We do this many times

- We will pass on reports we don't have personal knowledge that they are completely factual
- We will **repeat** something someone told us they heard.... when we weren't part of that conversation

Here's how deadly this is.....



[Psalm 140.11 AMP]

“Do not let a slanderer be established in the earth; Let evil quickly hunt the violent man [to overthrow him and stop his evil acts].”



[Proverbs 10.18b NLT]

...slandering others makes you a fool.



[1 Corinthians 5.11 NIV] Paul talking.....

I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people— 10 not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world. 11 But now I am writing to you that...

you must not associate with anyone who claims to be a brother or sister but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or slanderer, a drunkard or swindler. Do not even eat with such people.

- Right in the middle of these is SLANDERER... how much God hates it

Let's stop giving **BAD REPORTS**

- This includes other churches in town
- We are on same team!
- God hates SLANDER because the devil Slanders / "Accuser of the Brethren"



#5 **TALE-BEARING**

definition: Revealing secrets or breaking confidence



[Proverbs 11.13 NKJV]

A talebearer reveals secrets, But he who is of a faithful spirit conceals a matter.

- The Church should be the safest place to reveal something about your life


How important: James 5 says

"....confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed"

- We confess our sins to God to be FORGIVEN
- We confess to each other so we can be HEALED
- How many in church are forgiven but not Healed....?

 #6 **CURSING** is a sin and it's a deadly sin

definition: Revealing secrets or breaking confidence

 [Romans 3.13-14 NLT]

"Their talk is foul, like the stench from an open grave. Their tongues are filled with lies." "Snake venom drips from their lips." 14 "Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness."

- Most time you have cursing you find BITTERNESS is the root

When you are CURSING... you are speaking a Curse on someone


- "go to *#@!!" / "drop dead" /

- the word "dam"

Comes from Damnation.... Condemnation / Eternal Damnation

- Why would you ever dam your **Marriage?** / **Job** / **Kids** / **Parents**

This scripture may cure you of cursing....

 [Psalm 109.17-18 NIV]

He loved to pronounce a curse— may it come back on him. He found no pleasure in blessing— may it be far from him. 18 He wore cursing as his garment; it entered into his body like water, into his bones like oil.

Water & Oil DON'T MIX

- A person who curses is NOT blessed

- Amazing we want to be Blessed __but go around cursing

If you are going to Curse.. **Curses will come on you THEN blessing will be Far**

 #7 **BLASPHEMY**

definition: To use God's name in a unsacred or self-serving way



[Exodus 20.1 NIV]

"You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

Two ways to use God's name in vain

- #1 Use it as a curse word
- #2 Use it in a VAIN way... self serving
 - Christian do this when saying.... *"God told me"*
 - Playing the God Card
 - Jeremiah said.... *"Don't say 'The Lord says' when the Lord has not said"*
 - Don't use God's name to manipulate people and get your way



#8 FILTHY LANGUAGE

If 'CURSING' covers 'dam', 'hell',..... This covers all the rest



[Colossians 3.8 AMP]

But now rid yourselves [completely] of all these things: anger, rage, malice, slander, and obscene (abusive, filthy, vulgar) language from your mouth.

Filthy language comes out of our mouth... **Because it is in our heart**

- Men who struggle with Lust... they tell and listen to Filthy Jokes
- Filthy Language stirs up LUST in the heart
- Stand up for holiness.... when you do they will come to you when they fall

 #9 **CONTENTIOUS SPEECH**

definition: hurtful, hateful, malicious, disagreeable, argumentative,

Women...

 [Proverbs 20.9 AMP]

It is better to live in a corner of the housetop [on the flat roof, exposed to the weather] Than in a house shared with a quarrelsome (contentious) woman.

Men...

 [Proverbs 26.21 AMP]

As charcoal is to burning coals, and wood to fire, So is a contentious man to kindle strife.

[NLT]

A quarrelsome person starts fights as easily as hot embers light charcoal or fire lights wood.

- There are people who just love to Argue.... it's fun to them!
- Contentious comes from contend

'Engaging in a Competition wanting to win'

Always has to have last word, has to win argument

PLEASE Don't be like this...

 #10 **UNBELIEF** or Negativity

Is a sin we commit with our mouths.... starts in our heart first

 [Hebrews 3.12-13 NKJV]

Beware, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief in departing from the living God; 13 but exhort one another daily, while it is called "Today," lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

In other words.... Speak Words that BUILD UP not tear down

Remember the 12 Spies who went into the PROMISE Land....

- 10 gave a Negative report.... Bible called it UNBELIEF
- 2 gave Positive report.... FAITH

Faith is not denying the Facts.... Faith is speaking the TRUTH

Faith is not you don't see the Mountain.... Faith is you see the Mountain MOVER!

.....The 2 saw the Giants.... but said ***“Our God is BIGGER!”***

We are in the habit of repeating what the devil says and not what God says

**The ONLY way God can bless you....
is to get your mouth to line up with the His words, BIBLE**

CLOSE:



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**Just as God has set PHYSICAL LAWS
There are SPIRITUAL LAWS set in place**



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ASK Holy Spirit what He is saying in this message