

## What We Say Matters!

Proverbs 18:21 AMP

Death and life are in the power of the tongue,  
And those who love it *and* indulge it will eat its fruit *and* bear the consequences of their words.

Words are powerful. God created the earth and everything on it with his words. If he had to frame the world by speaking we will have to do the same thing. We will have to say what we expect God to do in our lives. Our words are powerful. The word works for those who work the word. We must put the work in. We must do our part and get into the word and read it for ourselves.

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Tonight we are focusing on life, confessing what God has said in his word. God's word is his will so we are confessing the will of God.

Hebrews 4:12

NLT For the word of God is alive and powerful.  
NJKV For the word of God *is* living and powerful

We serve the true and living God and his word is living and brings life because Our God is living. Jesus was the word made flesh. He said the words I speak are spirit and life. He also said I only do what I see my father doing. When we do the word we are following the example of Jesus and we will get word results.

Story of the centurion reference scripture Matthew 8: 5-13

Matthew 8:8 NKJV The centurion answered and said, "Lord, I am not worthy that You should come under my roof. But only speak a word, and my servant will be healed.

Matthew 8:13 NKJV Then Jesus said to the centurion, "Go your way; and as you have believed, *so* let it be done for you." And his servant was healed that same hour. When we say the word of God, we are saying the will of God and we will get word results. James tells us we must be doers of the word but I can't do what I don't know. We must get in the word for ourselves.

Hebrews 4:12 AMP For the word of God is living and active *and* full of power [making it operative, energizing, and effective]. It is sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating as far as the division of the soul and spirit [the completeness of a person], and of both joints and marrow [the deepest parts of our nature], exposing *and* judging the very thoughts and intentions of the heart.

We know God looks at the heart of man.

1 Samuel 16:7 NKJV But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For *the LORD does not see as man sees*; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."

The word tells us there is power in agreement.

Psalms 19:14 NLT May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing to you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.  
You see *what you say matters*. We want to be pleasing to God. We want the power of God working in our lives.

### **I. Areas of Confessing the word of God**

1) We are to confess our sins 1 John 1:9 NKJV If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

2) We are to confess Jesus as Lord Romans 10:9-10 NKJV <sup>9</sup> that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation

3) We are to confess the word of God Joshua 1:8 NIV Keep this Book of the Law **always on your lips**; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Anyone want to be prosperous? Anyone want to be successful? Do Joshua 1:8 keep the word on your lips and meditate day and night.

2 Timothy 3:16 NJKV All Scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,

### **Power Point: God's word spoken in faith will produce a harvest**

Isaiah 55:11 NKJV So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth;  
It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please,  
And it shall prosper *in the thing* for which I sent it.  
God's word **will not** return void, say it and say it and say it until it just flows out of you.

Confessing is for us, not for God.

### **II. 6 benefits of confessing the word**

1) Renew your mind with the word.  
We should be God inside Minded  
Romans 12:2 NKJV And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

The confessions come straight from the scriptures. We must read and meditate on the word to renew our minds.

2) Direct our Focus on God.

Col. 3:2 NIV Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

Magnify God and his word and not the problem or the situation you are in. Focus on God, the solution and not on the problem. When we do this the problem is not as big as the enemy tries to make it out to be.

3) Keep our heart toward God.

Proverbs 4:23 NKJV Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it *spring* the issues of life.

We have to do this. We have a part to play.

4) Increase our faith in God.

Romans 10:17 NKJV So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. As Pastor said Wednesday, we must overload our minds with the word of God. Hear yourself saying the word. Place those scriptures all around the house like pastor instructs us. Saying word based confessions is one way to keep the word before our eyes, in our mouth, and in our heart. It is one way we can increase our faith in God.

5) Activate ministering angels

Psalms 103:20 NKJV Bless the LORD, you His angels, Who excel in strength, who do His word, Heeding the voice of His word.

Why do we pray for the angels to be encamped around us if we don't believe they heeding to the word.

6) Activates the law of the seed

Activate your seed with faith filled words. Your Harvest is in your mouth.

Luke 8:11; 15 NKJV "Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. <sup>15</sup> But the ones *that* fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep *it* and bear fruit with patience.

The word of God is a seed. It is up to us to sow it in our hearts. It will always produce fruit. You must believe it and say it.

We meditate on the word, we say the word and we do the word because we know God will fulfill his word. When things happen, we can say it is written. Jesus is our example.

Jeremiah 1:12 AMP Then the LORD said to me, "You have seen well, for I am [actively] watching over My word to fulfill it."

### **III. We can confess "I Am" from the word of God.**

**What we say matters!** This is not the only form of confessing the word. You can declare, you can decree, you can proclaim, you can say it is written, you can say I believe, but no matter how you make your confessions you must be **fully persuaded** that what God promised, he will be able to perform.

When a person is fully persuaded of something, **he cannot be convinced that it is any other way than the way he believes it is.**

Question? What are you sowing in your heart?

Let's be doers of the word and not hearers only. (James 1:22 NKJV) The word works for those who work the word. Faith is of the heart. Believe with your heart and say it with your mouth. Get faith stirred up in your heart and work the word.

A few I Am confessions:

I am created in his image  
I am wonderfully and beautifully made  
I am healed by the stripes of Jesus  
I am God's masterpiece  
I am a doer of the word  
I am chosen  
I am blessed  
I am God's possession

### **IV. God Is:**

Sometimes we must remind ourselves who God is. God is the true and living God. He is the creator of the heaven and earth. He is the Most High God. He is Love. He is peace. He is joy. He is all-powerful. He is I am that I am. He is my shield. He is my protector. He is my provider. He is the miracle worker.

Make it personal, who is God to you?

#### **offering scripture:**

2 Corinthian 9:7 EXB Each of you should give as you have decided in your heart to give. You should not be sad when you give [*or give reluctantly*], and you should not give because you feel forced to give [*out of compulsion*]. [For] God loves the person who gives happily [*cheerfully*].

**Say: I am a cheerful giver!**