

Tongue Part 1

The tongue is one of the essential organs of the body in which we communicate with the world around us and with it we can impart lot of impact and changes in the life of the people and the world around us.

“Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.” (Ephesians 4:29 KJV) As we communicate with the people around and with the world we need to control of what is going out from our mouth. We should not allow corruptive word to proceed out from us like jokes, lies, gossips, slander, boasting, etc.

We should think before we go ahead and speak. Do we need to speak? If the answer is yes and the Holy Spirit permitting us to speak then we need to process of what we need to say. We should think and process in our minds what we are going to speak before we let it go out from our mouths. We should have the discretion to control corrupt communication, filtering them out and not allowing them to come out from our mouths. ***“But that which is good to the use of edifying.” (Ephesians 4:29 KJV)*** What going to proceed of our mouths should be used to edify others.

“Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.” (Proverbs 18:21 KJV) As you speak you are either bringing life or death to people who are hearing you. If you are pessimistic and negative in your speech you are sowing death and destruction. If you say to your son ‘You are useless’, he will be useless because that what you say and that what you prophesy about him. But if you say to your son, ‘I trust God that you will be doing great things,’ then these words of yours will bring life and success into his life, because that expresses your faith in God.

Around you people; in your family, your spouse and children, the people in your work place, and the people in the neighborhood, so when you speak, those people will hear what you are saying. Therefore you should be aware that others are hearing you. If you are allowing Godly speech will come out from your mouth, then you are edifying others, and that will build them up in the knowledge and in the fear of the Lord. But if you allow corruption coming out from your mouth then you are destroying other, including those who are very near to you. Therefore you should be very alert about the high responsibility on you as you are using your tongue. Always ask yourself these questions before you open your mouth and speak:

1. Do I need to speak?
2. What I am going to say?
3. Do I need not to keep silent?

“But that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.” (Ephesians 4:29 KJV) We are called to serve the grace of God to others who are hearing us. What we speak it might be transmitted beyond the walls and reach the ears of other people, therefore we need to be sure that we ministering grace.

The grace of God and the graceful talk we can define it from what we read in ***Titus 2:11-12, “11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, 12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world.” (Titus 2:11-12 KJV)*** We ought to live the graceful talk that deny sin and worldliness, and that direct us to live in self-control in godliness and righteousness in this world till Jesus would come and take us to our heavenly home.

“Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.” (Colossians 4:6 KJV) We should weight carefully what we are going to speak, full of God’s grace, declaring His will and plan to the people, seasoned with salt, since we are the salt of the earth, that what we speak should bring a difference toward Godliness and righteousness and preserve what God ordained in His Word.

“Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.” (Ephesians 4:29 KJV) We are aware that the tongue is connected with the heart and the thought of man. And what is going out of the mouth it is preceded out of the heart.

“18 But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man. 19 For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies.” (Matthew 15:18-19 KJV) The evil thoughts in the heart will be manifested in the word of the mouth. That is the reason why corruptive communications are coming out of the mouth because the heart is not clean. Therefore, to clean your mouth, you need first to clean up your heart and your mind from evil thoughts that are contradicting God’s Word and commands.

Solomon instructed his son with the followings: ***“Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.” (Proverbs 4:23 KJV)*** You should protect your heart and keep it pure and away from being corrupted. The heart can be corrupted when you are intermingling and communicating with corrupted people, ungodly friends and people with wrong character and attitudes. People who are liars, immoral, greedy, angry and other wrong characters when you keep company with them, they will ultimately influence you and corrupt you, therefore be sure that you are not in a such company. You need to avoid, TV, U tube and other media that exposes you to worldly things and would corrupt your heart. You ought to move away from such atmosphere to keep your heart pure. ***“A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.” (Matthew 12:35 KJV)*** So whatever you are going to store inside your heart that will ultimately come out from your mouth whether good or bad.

“But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.” (Matthew 12:36 KJV) Many when they will speak, they will not consider the outcome of what they are doing, and they think that whatever they would say will have no accountability for it. Every man will give account in the day of judgment of what he is saying. God will not judge us with what others had said, but He will judge us with what we said and with what we did, ***“For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.” (Matthew 12:37 KJV)*** Therefore we need to be aware of what we are speaking and saying, ***“In the multitude of words there wanteth not***

sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise.” (Proverbs 10:19 KJV) If we speak unnecessarily we might fall into sin and troubles. Unnecessary talk can bring sin. Therefore, as we mentioned before, we need to consider that in certain occasions we don't need to speak anything. That is why it is said, **“but he that refraineth his lips is wise.” (Proverbs 10:19 KJV)**

Certain time speaking brings more troubles to us in our lives, **“Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles.” (Proverbs 21:23 KJV)** To avoid speaking in certain occasions is a gain and will spare you troubles.

“A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.” (Proverbs 18:20 KJV) You need to be aware that with what you speak will bring good fruit and satisfaction into your life.

My Dear and Beloved: “He that loveth pureness of heart, for the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend.” (Proverbs 22:11 KJV) Jesus Christ is the King that we delight to be a friend with. He is the King of kings and the Lord of lords. This will take place when our hearts are pure and in our lips graceful speech.

My Prayer: *Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins, who was buried and rose from the dead on the third day to give me eternal life. Lord thank you for your Word to me. Lord I ask you forgiveness for the following corruptive speech that I uttered _____ . Lord I commit my life to clean my heart from evil thoughts and to speak with graceful speech that is season with salt so that others who hears will be edified and built up with the truth. Lord sustains me to do that, and let the fruit of the Holy Spirit appear in my life, personality and attitude. This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.*

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