

“Speak Life”

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Proverbs 18:21- “The tongue has the power of life and death; and those who **love it** will eat its fruit.” (i.e., “Love” involves having a continuous appetite for; **a delightful habit**; persistent)

Colossians 4:6- “Let your conversation be always **full of grace**” (“drenched with grace and tempered with truth and clarity” TPT) i.e., **permeated with a revelation of what God can do!**

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CORE: For us to “speak life” to others—we must 1st speak life to ourselves. Because it’s “out of the abundance of our hearts that our mouth speaks” (Luke 6:45).

As we improve our self-talk, here are several powerful declarations to make:

1. “I WILL RECEIVE INCREASING REVELATIONS OF WHO JESUS IS.”

- “Fixing our eyes on Jesus” (Heb. 12:1); eyes symbolize “capacity to see, perceive”—**ready for revelation!**
- “Author & Finisher of our faith”—**anticipating more faith as He reveals more of Himself!**
- He knows that He is able to “save to the uttermost (i.e., **completely restore**) those who come to God by Him,” because Jesus “always lives to make intercession for them.” (Hebrews 7:25)—**His prayers bring increasing restoration!**
 - **“When your eye is HEALTHY—your whole body is flooded with light (revelation). But when your eye is UNHEALTHY (twisted, distorted)—your body is flooded with darkness (confusion).” Luke 11:34**
 - I will look at each day **EXPECTANTLY**—not **SUSPECTINGLY**
 - **“Be it unto you according to your expectations.” (Matt. 9:29)**

2. “I WILL SPEAK WORDS OF LIFE.”

“With our heart we believe, and with our mouth we confess” (Romans 10:10) “Confess”—in tune with; vibrating with

- One of the most powerful use of our words—“to **MAGNIFY THE LORD**” (Luke 1:46)
 - **Lit.-“to exceed my capacity to understand; a refusal to limit Him”**
 - **Making God bigger**—knowing you can’t exaggerate Him!
 - **It’s declaring in any situation, regardless of what’s happening, that there is always a solution!** “He **WILL** make a way where there seems to be no way!” Isaiah 43:16-19
- Equally powerful is **HOW WE SPEAK TO OURSELVES** (i.e., **meditation is way we talk to ourselves—Lit.- “to mutter” Psalm 1:2**

- Remember past breakthroughs (*rather than rehearsing past mistakes*). i.e., David recalled previous victories as he faced Goliath (1 Samuel 17:36) Gideon moved from “least of the weakest” to “mighty man of valor” (Judges)
- Anticipate God to move “above and beyond” your ability & understanding (*i.e., our mountains have 2 mines—massive machinery has only scratched the surface. God said to Sheri, “See those mountains? See those mines? I can move those mountains.”*) SEE Romans 15:17-19

3. “I HAVE SOMETHING VALUABLE TO CONTRIBUTE!”

1 Corinthians 14:1- “The way of love” is revealed when we “prophecy” (*speak God’s revelation & perspective*).

1 Corinthians 14:3- The heart of prophecy—something all of us can do—*“strengthens, encourages, and comforts” both ourselves & others.*

- a. He opens our eyes to see our own value
 - a. We have been “*planned & purposed*” (Eph. 1:4)—not an “accident”
 - b. We carry a contribution
 - c. Ability to see who we are (and who we’re not)—*No one has EVERYTHING—but everyone has SOMETHING of great value!*
 - d. Father’s validation of Jesus (“*My beloved son in whom I’m well-pleased*”—released Him to powerfully influence the world!
- b. Then our eyes are opened to see the value in others
 - a. What you value you protect and invest in
 - b. We see people for who they ARE—in light of who they were created to be—in spite of what they’ve DONE (or what’s been done to them)
 - c. Our words “*set fire*” (James 3:6) in someone’s soul—for “*life or death*” (Proverbs 18:21)
 - i. If our internal system is toxic—our words will be too (*i.e., criticism, jealousy, judgment*)
 - ii. When our internal system is healthy—we speak life (**NOTE: Words of prophetic validation cause what God has created in us—to rise up! Who you ARE responds! Releases COURAGE to take risks & CONFIDENCE to be who you’re made to be!**)

SO, “SPEAK LIFE!”

- “Be eager to prophecy” (1 Cor. 14:39)
- Let His heart be expressed through you!
- Verbally release the atmosphere of Heaven!

You deserve more than you realize

You settle for meager scraps

when you have been invited to sit at the banquet table

What do you think you lack?

What lies have you associated with you?

Why harbor resentment against yourself?

You are royalty, not a peasant,

Dispose of the pauper mindset -

You are a fearsome warrior, not a trembling coward

You have a gift, a voice that should be showcased, that should be heard

What do you see when you look in the mirror?

Dressed in shabby garments designed by Shame

Remove these rags and put on the beautiful, dazzling robes of righteousness

provided by the King

You lack confidence beautiful one, you have resigned to a life of dormancy

When you have been called to actively engage the world

Radical love compels you to breach your comfort zone and make contact with

the giants who inhabit your "promised land," to command mountains to move

To stand boldly on the truth that God is faithful; He is good -

Declarations cause a stirring in the unseen realms

Words spoken, wait patiently in this sphere to drop down and manifest

Be careful with the words you speak,
the proclamations you make over your life
for both blessing and curse hang precariously in the air,
and which would you rather receive?
Cultivate a lifestyle of speaking words that animate, that restore hope

What radiates out from you comes from what lies within you
Your capacity to love others is connected with your ability to love yourself
Time spent in His presence knocks loose the flimsy, false perceptions
He speaks Truth, He corrects the misperceptions, the misnomers
He dispels the lies you have embraced and rehearsed in your mind
You have adopted twisted, distorted ideas about who you are -

In His presence, your greatest weaknesses are rectified;
Your most glaring inadequacies diminish in light of
your gifts, your talents and your abilities -

May the Spirit renew your mind, resurrect dreams, refresh your outlook
You were never meant to inhabit the dingy, murky basement
You possess that divine spark; fashioned in the image of God
Shame has no place in you; Fear has no place in you; Envy has no place in you -
Treat the world by being you, not pretending to be anybody else

Cherish the ones closest to you; nurture those relationships

Invest in others, be intentional

Strike down the barriers and be vulnerable;

Desecrate the walls you so painstakingly erected to keep others out

To prevent yourself from effectively looking inward

Where there are hurts, allow Him to bring a healing balm

Where there is un-forgiveness and bitterness... forgive, and ask for grace

Empty your soul of the burdens you carry daily

Do not resort to fault finding, but seek out the gold in others,

discover the gold that lies within yourself -

Do yourself and the world a favor by exemplifying

the love, the grace, and the mercy of God

Simple demonstrations of leaning into Him

can drastically, unabashedly reconfigure the map and advance His Kingdom

-HMZ3 (2-17-17)