The Power of Your Words

Why Do Our Words Mean So Much?

1. They are containers.

Revelation 5:8 talks about our prayers being kept in "vials" or containers, which are full of odours or incense. See: Rev. 8:4.

Our prayers are going up before God's throne as a sweet incense if prayed in faith, praise or worship.

2. They are life.

John 6:63 - "...the words that I (Jesus) speak into you, they are spirit, and they are life."

Psalms 34:12 & 13 - "What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days that he may see good? Keep thy tongue from evil, and do good, seek peace, and pursue it."

3. They are death.

Proverbs 18:21 - "Death and life are in the power of the tongue..."

Our tongue builds others up or tears them down.

4. They give power.

Matthew 8:8 - "Speak the Word only, and my servant shall be healed."

Psalms 119:50 - "This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy Word hath quickened me."
Matthew 5:37 - "But let your communication be Yea, yea. Nay, nay: for whatever is more than these cometh of evil."

5. They give joy.

Proverbs 12:25(b) - "...a good word maketh it glad."

Psalms 122:1 - "I was glad when they said unto me..."

6. They give health.

Proverbs 12:18(b) - "...the tongue of the wise is health."

Proverbs 16:24 - "Pleasant words are as an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, an health to the bones."

Psalms 42:11(b) - "...I shall yet praise Him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God."

7. They give wisdom.

Isaiah 50:4 - "The Lord God hath given me the tongue of the learned, that I should know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary: he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear as the learned."

Psalms 39:1 - "I said I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue, I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me."

NOTE: When we talk it reveals the wisdom or lack of, that we have.

Proverbs 17:27 - "He that hath knowledge spareth his words: and a
man of understanding is of an excellent spirit."

Matthew 12:34(b) - "...out of the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaketh."

Proverbs 31:26 - "She openeth her mouth with wisdom: and in her tongue is the law of kindness."

Ecclesiastes 10:12 - "The words of a wise man's mouth are gracious; but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself."

8. They give edification.

Ephesians 5:19 - "Speaking to yourselves in psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord."

Psalms 34:1 - "I will bless the Lord at all times, His praise shall continually be in my mouth."

Note: Words set an atmosphere.

When we praise God, we too, are being blessed. It magnifies God and also encourages our own spirit.

Colossians 4:6 - "Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man."


Note: Speaking in tongues edifies us.

I Corinthians 14:4.

9. They give prophecy.

Romans 4:17(b) - "...calleth those
things which be not, as though they were." (God calling Abraham to be a father of many nations).

Genesis 1:3;6;9;11;14;20;26.

These above verses mention the words, "God said". Remember, God the Father spoke the world into being.

Hebrews 11:3 - "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen, were not made of things which do appear."

Note: Our words can give prophecy to our future. (Remember points #2 & #3 about life and death).

I Samuel 17:45-47. Read it.

The story of David & Goliath.

Verse #46 - "This day will the Lord deliver thee into mine hand..."

II Corinthians 4:13(b) - I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak."

See: Psalms 106:10(b) - "I believed, therefore have I spoken..."

10. They give commitment.

Romans 10:9,10 & 13.


Our committed words to Jesus in the salvation prayer, caused us to be saved.

EXAMPLES: Wedding vows / Under oath
in a court room / Swearing in of a political office.

OTHER VERSES TO MEDITATE UPON:

Psalms 141:3 - "Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth..."

Psalms 19:14 - "Let the words of my mouth..."

Ecc. 5:2 - "Let thy words be few."

Deut. 30:14 / Ro. 10:8 - "Word is nigh thee..."

II Thess. 2:17 - "Stablish you in every good word..."

Col. 3:17 - "Whatsoever ye do in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord."

Prov. 25:15(b) - "...a soft tongue breaks the bone."

Prov. 27:2 - "Let another man praise thee..."

CLOSING REMARKS:

Remember, our words do have power!

It's up to us to chose the right, wholesome, and uplifting words to say to ourselves, to God and to others.

Matthew 12: 36 & 37. READ IT !!!

Every word we speak can have significance if we carefully decide what words are appropriate to say or not to say in every situation.

THINK BEFORE YOU SPEAK!

(Read the wise old owl poem).